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DESPERATE RED RESISTANCE Battle Goes On East Of Kiev

BOUNCING BLENHEIM SURVIVES

Despite balloons tethered to German supply ships encountered off the Dutch coast on Saturday and despite the escort of anti-aircraft ships, British bombers approached almost at sea level and rose hardly more than mast high to deliver an attack in which four ships were hit and left afire.

The Air Ministry News Service, describing the encounter, says that a former New Zealand farmer who is now a Flight-Lieutenant in the Bomber Command, said he had to list the starboard wing of his Blenheim bomber very sharply to avoid a balloon cable.

The Blenheim's starboard engine was hit and in the resulting lurch the bomber hit the sea, bounced off, again hit the sea and again bounced off.

It is believed this is the first time a land machine has escaped after twice hitting the sea.

The pilot said: "Although making strange noises, the Blenheim got us back safely and we blessed the men and women who made her so well"—Reuter.

ORDER NOW RESTORED IN PEEL

Order was restored at the Peel (Isle of Man) internment camp, where a riot broke out on Saturday night, after the commandant of the male internment camp saw the men's spokesman.

The commandant pointed out that he would not listen to the men's case until there should be quietness for an hour and that they had proper means of voicing grievances through their own leader.

Little material damage was done. One soldier was injured in the hand and an officer has a bruised leg.

All was quiet in the camp yesterday.—Reuter.

VOROSHILOV'S SON CAPTURED?

Marshal Voroshilov's son has been captured by the Germans, Rome radio declared yesterday, according to Reuter.

Premature Claims By The Germans

(Military Commentary By "Annalist")

YESTERDAY'S GERMAN HIGH COMMAND COMMUNIQUE, WHILE MAINTAINING ITS CLAIMS REGARDING KIEV, SPOKE OF FIGHTING TO THE EAST AND SOUTH-EAST OF THE UKRAINIAN CAPITAL, "WHERE THE RUSSIAN TROOPS ARE BEING ANNIHILATED."

This euphemism reveals that the Russians are still resisting desperately, even east of the town, and confirms the Russian communique that the battle continues all along the front but most fiercely at Kiev.

By putting out premature claims of victory the German High Command not only hopes to inspire its own men to further efforts but to discourage the enemy, especially in advanced positions, who may be led to believe that their cause is lost.

The High Command also announced yesterday that German troops have reached the Sea of Azov, thus cutting off the Crimea.

'Ware Neutral Sources

An earlier report to this effect, which received some credit in London, shows how wary one has to be of such German claims, especially when received from neutral sources.

The fact of severance of land communications with the Crimea, even if it should be confirmed on this occasion, is not likely to have a very material bearing on the progress of hostilities.

At Leningrad the situation seems somewhat easier and the absence of German claims in

connection with Murmansk would suggest that things are not going favourably with their offensive in this region.

Leningrad Check

FOR SEVERAL DAYS THE GERMAN FORCES BEFORE LENINGRAD HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO ADVANCE A SINGLE STEP FARTHER TOWARD THE CITY, SAYS A DISPATCH FROM THE FRONT LAST NIGHT.

Powerful artillery fire has driven the Nazis back to hastily-dug trenches and dugouts. Bold counter-attacks frustrated German preparations to advance and at many points forced the enemy to retire.

The Germans are hurling dozens of planes into their attacks on the Soviet lines but the Red Army men are staunchly holding their positions.

Kiev Evacuation Admitted

Following is the text of the Soviet midnight communique issued by the Soviet Information Bureau:

"During September 21, our troops fought the enemy along the whole front. After many days of fierce fighting, our troops evacuated Kiev.

"During September 19, we destroyed 60 German planes and lost 24.

"The Finnish coastal battleship, Emarinen, during an attack by our ships in the Gulf of Finland, struck a mine and sank."

Oesel Claim

A special German High Command announcement issued yesterday afternoon stated: "Exemplary cooperation of formations of the army, air force and navy have secured a new and important success."

"Arensburg, capital of Oesel, has been captured. The islands of Moon and Oesel are thus securely in our hands.

"Only shattered parts of the garrison of Oesel are to be found in the western end of Oesel. Their destruction is imminent."—Reuter.

ODESSA GROWS IN STRENGTH

The strength of Odessa is increasing every day, it was announced by the Moscow Radio last night.

The defenders are resisting huge German forces who are sustaining very heavy losses.

Red Army troops have recaptured the island of Hertzka in Dnieper River which had been in German hands for several weeks.

The local inhabitants, added the Moscow announcer, showed Soviet newspapermen a hastily filled common grave in which, under a thin layer of earth, were savagely mutilated bodies of three Red Army men and a nurse.—Reuter.

JAPANESE MANOEUVRES IN CAMBODIA

Part of the Japanese forces stationed at the southern bases in French Indo-China, are to carry out large-scale manoeuvres in the plains of Cambodia according to a Saigon telegram.

The manoeuvres will be followed in October by big reviews in which the entire Japanese forces in Indo-China will take part.—Reuter.

NO BRITISH INVASION--YET

"MR. CHURCHILL IS AS ANXIOUS AS ANY MAN TO TAKE OFFENSIVE ACTION IN THE CAUSE OF RIGHT, BUT SUCH ACTION, TOO SOON WITHOUT FULL PREPARATION, AND MERELY BECAUSE THE PEOPLE CALLED FOR IT, WILL BE FAR WORSE THAN WAITING TO DELIVER THE BLOW WHEN IT WILL BE MOST EFFECTIVE."

So said Mr. Chuter Ede, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board

KIEV AN ENORMOUS HOSPITAL

Kiev fell owing to complete exhaustion, says a Milan despatch to Berne quoting the war correspondent of the newspaper, "Corriere della Sera."

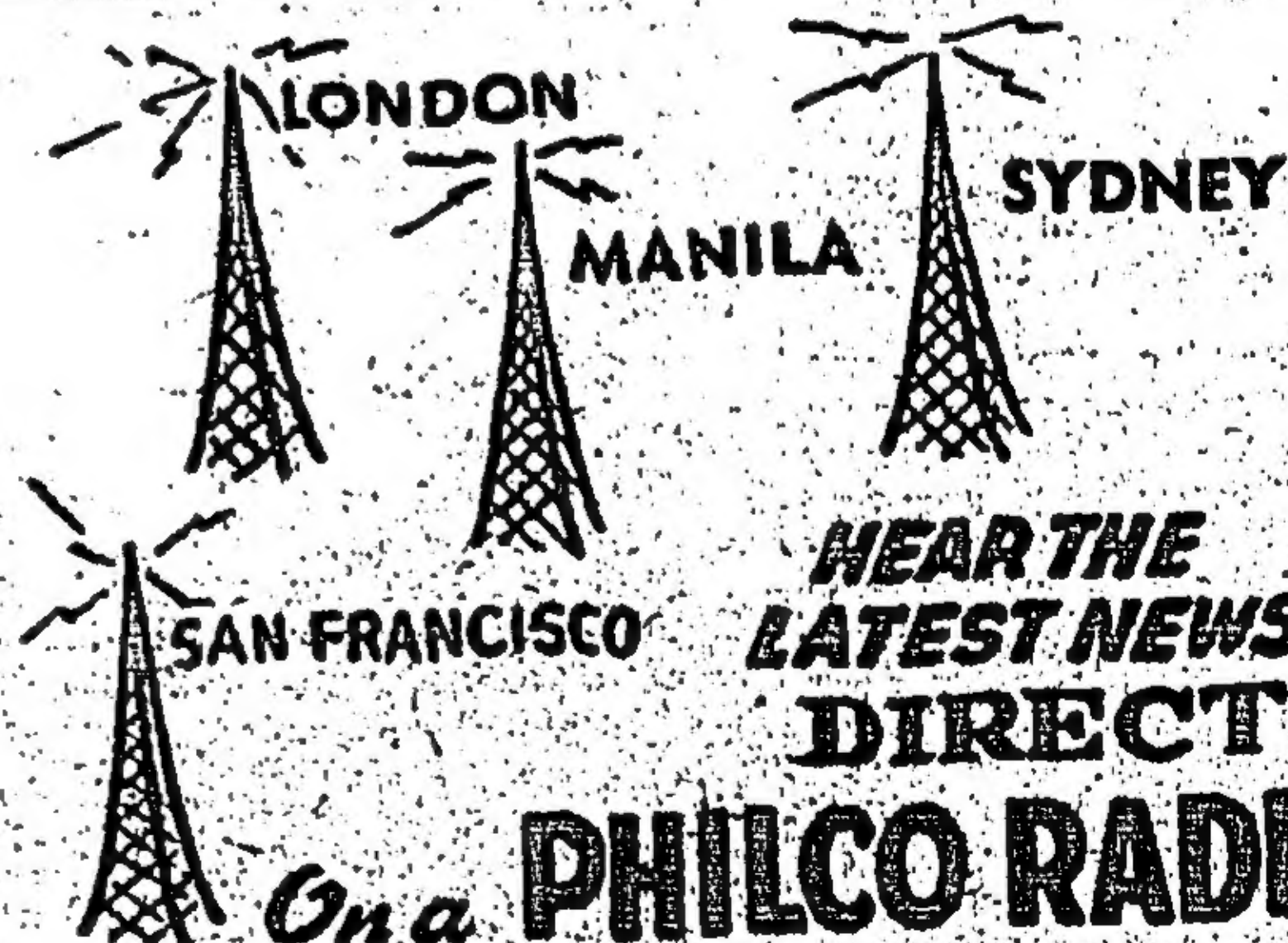
The town for a week lacked water and food and the market was almost empty for a month and closed for a week.

Russian wounded from the great battle in Eastern Ukraine were largely transported to Kiev where hospitals were full. Schools, churches, theatres, cinemas, hotels and private houses were filled with wounded.

"Kiev is an enormous hospital." Nevertheless, in order to conquer the town, which had been reduced to such conditions, the Germans had to overcome a belt of concrete forts, minefields, high-tension barbed-wire defences and engage in terrible hand-to-hand fighting.

German armoured advance guards after reaching the centre of the town were repulsed and only after three days' fighting were they able to conquer Kiev, "in which the population, even the wounded, had not eaten for 72 hours."—Reuter.

of Education, speaking at Newport, Monmouth, yesterday. He added: "I know enough of Mr. Churchill to realise that the moment it is possible for us to take offensive action in support of our ally, he will take it."—Reuter.



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Scene Of "Indescribable Devastation" Greets Nazis

Scorched Earth In Kiev

IT WAS ANNOUNCED in Berlin last night that when the German troops entered Kiev they found "indescribable devastation." This is a complete contradiction of earlier statements from Axis sources which said the city had been captured virtually intact and that the Russians' "scorched earth" tactics had not been applied there.

Last night's announcement, issued by the official German news agency, said: "All vital supplies had been removed or blown up and the water and electricity works destroyed and put out of action."

It continued: "The place is strewn with the wreckage of railways and bridges that had been blown up."

"The population had not the bare necessities of life. By their destructive sabotage the Bolsheviks have endangered the lives of tens of thousands in the most cruel fashion."

Meanwhile a description of the capture of the city given by the correspondent of "La Suisse" (quoted by the Vichy news agency) tells how naked Germans stormed casemates at Kiev.

Flank Movement

The correspondent, who states he received his information from "authoritative German sources," says the German troops had been outside the city for some weeks.

Immediately after their arrival they broke through the first line of fortifications. They were then ordered to remain on the defensive, merely repelling counter-attacks by the Russian garrison.

Meanwhile the armies of General von Bock and General von Rundstedt carried out a flanking movement which was completed on Wednesday last by their junction 60 miles east of the city.

While several German divisions were brought from the east bank of the Dnieper and crossed to the north of the city, other divisions coming from the south advanced up the west bank and attacked the fortified system.

Swam River

The correspondent says it was a bold thrust which proved decisive for the capture of the city.

During the night of Thursday/Friday German infantry swam across a little river to the south of Kiev behind which concrete casemates defended the inner city.

These casemates were stormed by naked German troops wearing nothing but their steel helmets but carrying arms and ammunition.

The German artillery was very active during the assault and the air force previously had blown up ammunition dumps round the city.

A breach was made in the defences and when at noon on Friday German troops entered the citadel the Soviet troops surrendered, says the correspondent, and the whole city fell into German hands.

The correspondent adds Kiev is the first of the Russian cities taken by the Germans to have suffered very little despite the bitter fighting around it.—Reuter.

GERMAN-TURKISH NEGOTIATIONS

The German negotiator, Dr. Clodius, is believed to have been successful in completing arrangements regarding agricultural quotas between Germany and Turkey but discussions regarding minerals "are continuing." — Reuter.

PERFECT ECLIPSE IN FORMOSA

The eclipse of the sun was observed in perfect weather conditions by the Japanese Scientific Mission yesterday, on the island of Ishigaki Shima, 150 miles east of Formosa.

Partial eclipse began at 12.17 p.m. and became total at 2.49 p.m., local time, lasting 3 minutes, 19 seconds.—Reuter.

English Girl's Record

A 21-year-old girl, Evelyn Duncan, has created a world record for production of anti-aircraft shell components in Birmingham.

She turned out 6,130 components in six days.

Evelyn Duncan reached this figure in a competition held in Birmingham in connection with a recruiting campaign.

The previous record was 5,000 components in one week. Another competitor outstripped the previous record reaching a production of 5,905 components.—Reuter.

ECLIPSE SEEN IN THE SOVIET

The eclipse of the sun yesterday was observed over a stretch of 1,750 miles of the Soviet Union, from north of the Caucasus to Kirghizstan, beginning at 3.12 p.m. (G.M.T.).

Complete eclipse was observable during a period of about one minute over a stretch of 85 miles. The scientific expedition, recently sent to Kozilord, Kazakhstan, made observations.—Reuter.



ENJOYING A COOLER.—After taking part in events at an R.A.F. Sports Meeting, these W.A.A.F.s are glad to refresh themselves with a "corbet" while watching their colleagues.

MAISKY'S APPEAL FOR MORE TANKS

"WE NEED TANKS and more tanks — and yet more tanks," says M. Maisky, Soviet Ambassador to Britain, in a stirring appeal to Britain which coincides with the opening today of "Tanks For Russia" Week.

M. Maisky says that Russia produces many tanks herself but the Russian losses in tanks on the 2,000-mile front are great.

"We require your urgent help in order to reinforce our own efforts. Your tanks will not be wasted; they will go out to battle at once."

"We know how to use them against our common enemy."

"The best testimony is the great fight which the Soviet forces and the whole of the Soviet people have put up during the last three months against the panzer barbarians of Hitlerite Germany."

"The sooner you send us tanks and the greater their number, the earlier will the Nazi hordes be defeated."

"We have with you one common front. Send immediately your tank reinforcements to that section of the front which at present is bearing the brunt of the fight. Send speedily as many as possible."

"Twice gives he who gives at the right time and the right place." — Reuter.

THAT ACT AGAIN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") THE CLAMOUR FOR REPEAL OF THE NEUTRALITY ACT HAS BROUGHT A WARNING FROM SENATOR GEORGE, WHO SAID, "THE ULTIMATE AND SUPREME DECISION ON THE NATION'S FOREIGN POLICY SHOULD BE PLACED BEFORE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE."

The warning was served after Representative Sol Bloom, Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, advocated outright repeal of the Neutrality Act.—International News Service.

RUSHING AIR AID TO RUSSIA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") THE UNITED STATES WILL FLY LONG-RANGE BOMBERS DIRECT TO RUSSIA VIA ALASKA. IT IS LEARNED IN AUTHORITY WASHINGTON CIRCLES.

This is part of a complex plan to divert aid to the Soviet immediately to stem the German tide.

It is stated in Washington that the British Government recognise Russia's need for planes is urgent, and Britain has agreed to release numbers of the bombers which at present are being ferried across the Atlantic.—International News Service.

U.S. GOVERNMENT'S FIRM ACTION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A non-Union crew picked by the Government sailed the freighter "Alcoa Banner" from New York to the American Army base at Trinidad with supplies and munitions.

The American Federation of Labour Seafarers' Union has protested to the President.—International News Service.

NORWAY PRISONS PACKED

Prisons in Oslo and the suburbs are packed to the limit, according to a Stockholm telegram to the official Russian news agency giving details of the German policy of terror in Norway.

The list of those arrested includes the Secretary of the Labour Party, Bergdaen, the Chief of the Oslo Police and several university professors.

The German-appointed High Commissioner of the Norwegian Trade Unions, Sossum, has dissolved the elected Council of Trade Unions and replaced it by his stool-pigeons. Sossum has forbidden workers to demand an increase in wages and to pay membership dues to the Unions.

The Swedish newspaper "Goteborg Handelstidning" reports that several Oslo enterprises are guarded by armed German detachments.

Norwegian workers are compelled to resume work under pain of death.

In Oslo the Germans have removed many Norwegian directors of Norwegian industrial and commercial firms from their posts, and Kuppenberg, Director of the Igsarpenindustri Trust, will control the whole of Norwegian industry.

Strikes and demonstrations are going on.—Reuter.

LOVE NO BAR TO WAR WORK

Should a girl war worker who falls in love continue her job or should she get married and settle down?

The answer, Joy Roffey, 20, of Birmingham told the "Daily Mirror" was that she should marry the man she loves and work for her country as well.

Miss Roffey is spending a week's leave as guest of Bath Corporation.

By arrangement of the Minister of Labour she went to convince women of Bristol that it was possible to combine a public and private life without injury to either.

She told the "Daily Mirror": Leonard Kemp and I fell in love at first sight. We got engaged and now I would not change him for anyone in the world.

Leonard won't hear of my giving up my job.

KEY TO EVENTS IN FUTURE

IRAN IS LIKELY TO BE THE KEY TO EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE, DECLARED MR. FREDERICK MONTAGUE, PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY TO THE MINISTRY OF AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION, SPEAKING AT SOUTHAMPTON YESTERDAY.

He added: "People say we are not forming a second land front but remember we have responsibilities from Spitzbergen to Tobruk."

Declaring Britain was sending more aid to Russia than some people thought Mr. Montague said: "But we must send more. There must be a jump in production like that which followed the fall of France." — Reuter.

BULGARIA HEADING FOR WAR

Clash With Turkey Thought Inevitable

Dragged Behind Axis Chariot

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

THE STATE OF EMERGENCY THROUGHOUT BULGARIA REVEALS THE GRAVE SITUATION WITH WHICH M. FILOFF'S GOVERNMENT IS CONFRONTED; HAVING HITTED ITSELF TO THE AXIS CHARIOT IT FINDS ITSELF DRAGGED INTO COMPLETE AND ABJECT SUBSERVIENT TO THE POLICY OF ITS POWERFUL TEAM MATES.

Neither the Government nor the people want war but they are being coerced into a course against their will, against their interests, against their tradition.

But, having accepted the "new order," they are so deeply committed that there seems little chance of escaping the fate of Hungary and Rumania and being used as catpaws by the German High Command.

They may be able to evade fighting against their Russian benefactors by attacking Turkey but it does not look as though there were any other alternative.

Despite the Axis leanings of the Government the people are still moved by Russia's share in their liberation and apart from their common Slav origin there has always been strong sympathy with Soviet ideology among the largely agrarian population.

Popular resentment against recent moves by the Government has led to widespread discontent and even sabotage, with correspondingly severe repressive measures by the authorities.

German-Inspired

An attempt is now being made to create a movement against Russia by allegations that Bulgarian ships have been sunk by Russian mines or torpedoed by Russian submarines.

The hand of German propaganda is very evident in the manner in which these reports, which are still very dubious, are

being played up in the Bulgarian press.

Simultaneously, however, relations with Turkey are being deliberately exacerbated, possibly in the hope of serving as a pretext for avoiding an unpopular breach with Russia, possibly because the Government feels that war with Turkey would be the lesser of two evils.

War Of Nerves

The Germans are naturally exploiting this situation as part of their war of nerves against Turkey, and it is still too early to say whether they are prepared to go the full length. Much will depend on the degree of their success in southern Russia.

IT MIGHT BE ENTIRELY UNPROFITABLE TO TAKE ON TURKEY AS AN ENEMY IF THE RESULT OF THE RUSSIAN CAMPAIGN IS STILL SWAYING IN THE BALANCE.—REUTER.

EIGHTEEN GERMANS DAY'S BAG

BLenheim AIRCRAFT OF THE BOMBER COMMAND STRONGLY ESCORTED BY FIGHTERS, ATTACKED A POWER STATION AT GOSNAY NEAR BETHUNE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. IT WAS LEARNED IN LONDON.

Bombs were seen to hit the target and fires were left burning.

The fighter escort had many combats with enemy fighters and it is known that 18 of the enemy were destroyed.

Twelve British fighters were lost but the pilots of two have been rescued from the sea. No British bombers were lost. — Reuter.

QUISLING TO RETURN THE LOOT

QUISLING HAS BEEN ORDERED BY THE GERMAN AUTHORITIES TO RETURN WITHIN THREE DAYS ALL THE MONEY HE HAD TAKEN FROM THE BANK OF NORWAY, SAYS A STOCKHOLM DESPATCH TO THE SOVIET NEWS AGENCY IN MOSCOW.

It was proved, says the despatch, that Quisling withdrew a large sum from the bank and transferred a considerable part of it abroad. His underlings did likewise.

The German authorities, concludes the despatch, have now forbidden the Bank to issue any funds to the Quisling party without German permission. — Reuter.

AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST BLACK-OUT

The biggest black-out test ever held in Australia took place last night when for over an hour Sydney and the surrounding area was plunged into darkness.

More than a million residents were affected by the black-out which is officially described as most successful. — Reuter.

ROOSEVELT MESSAGE TO JEWRY

President Roosevelt sent a message to Jews everywhere which was broadcast by Rabbi Stephen Wise when speaking in connection with the opening of the Year 5702 in the Jewish Calendar.

President Roosevelt expressed confidence that despite the temporary darkness encompassing the world, the light of liberty would not be extinguished.

He added: "With united devotion to the just cause of peace and tolerance we must rededicate ourselves to the task which lies before us in order that all people may live as equals."

Rabbi Wise said that of the 150,000,000 people captive to Hitler, only 6,000,000 were Jews but his assault on them was a smoke screen for a concerted attack on all institutions of Democracy and freedom. — Reuter.

R.A.F. DAY SWEEPS REACH CLIMAX

ROYAL AIR FORCE daylight sweeps reached a new climax during the past week in which bombers and fighters daily raided Axis occupied Europe.

The outstanding night operation was the R.A.F.'s 77th raid on Hamburg and other north-west German ports on the night of September 15-16 wherein over 200 heavy bombers were engaged.

Another striking night feature was the substantial blow at Stettin, important supply port for the Germans, eastern front, to which the R.A.F. flew further than to Berlin.

Targets at Stettin were illuminated by the Northern Lights. Other night objectives were Karlsruhe, Le Havre docks, Berlin and Frankfurt.

ON THE 17TH THE MAIN TARGET WAS THE POWER PLANT AT MAZINGARBE NEAR BETHUNE WHERE 300 R.A.F. FIGHTERS WERE IN THE SKIES SIMULTANEOUSLY OVER FRANCE, MANY MORE GOING OUT DURING THE DAY.

On September 18, when the chief objective was a power station near Rouen, operations were on a similar scale but they reached the peak on September when the largest combined force since offensive sweeps began took to the air to attack railway centres at Hazebrouck and Abbeville, shipyards at Rouen and the docks at Le Havre, while a Fortress penetrated Germany to attack Emden docks.

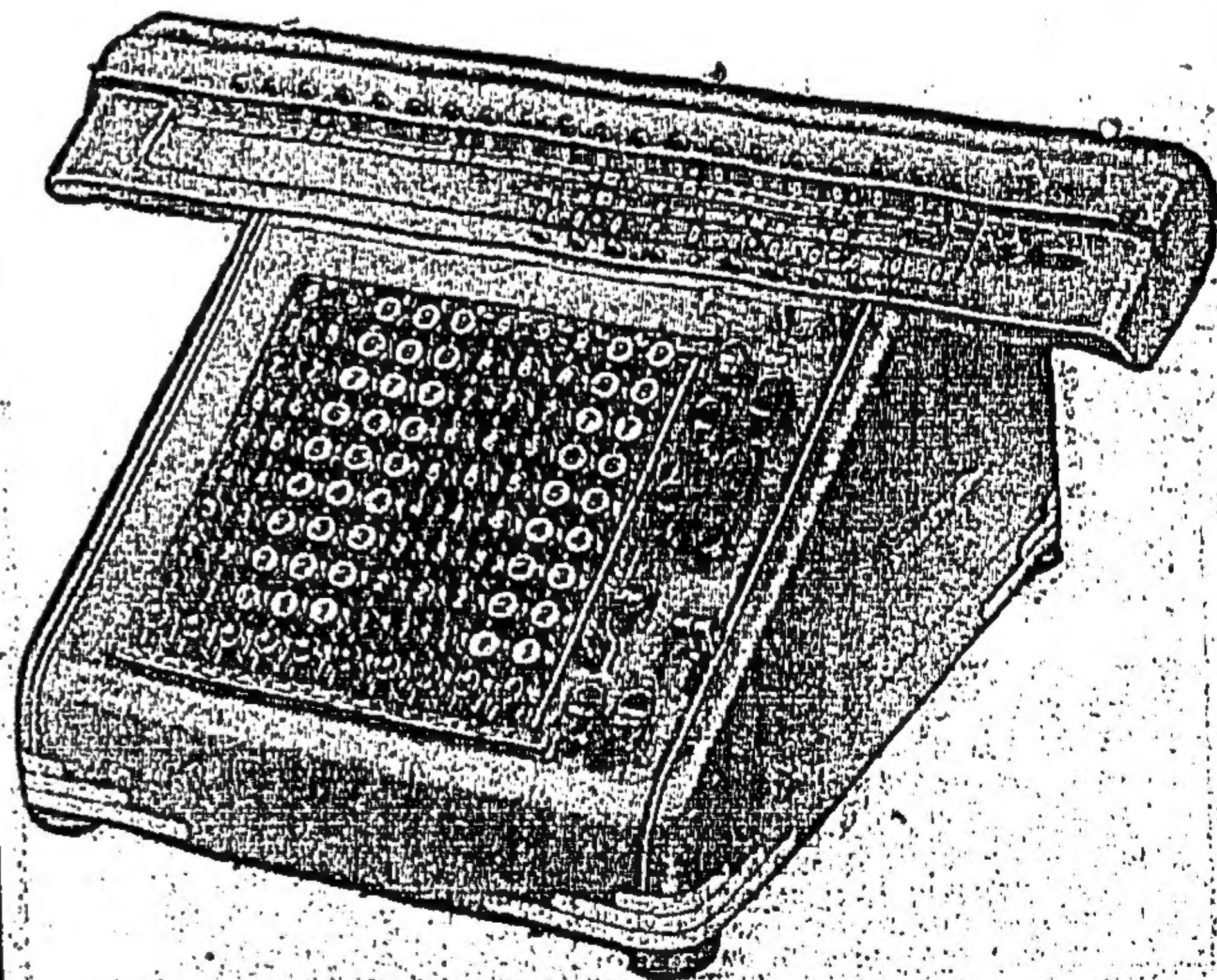
In all these operations the Germans lost 54 fighters, the R.A.F. 40 planes of which 14 were bombers, and 32 fighters. Six R.A.F. pilots were saved. — Reuter.



Mr. Churchill on his arrival at No. 10, Downing Street, buys a flag for the Air Raid Distress Fund.

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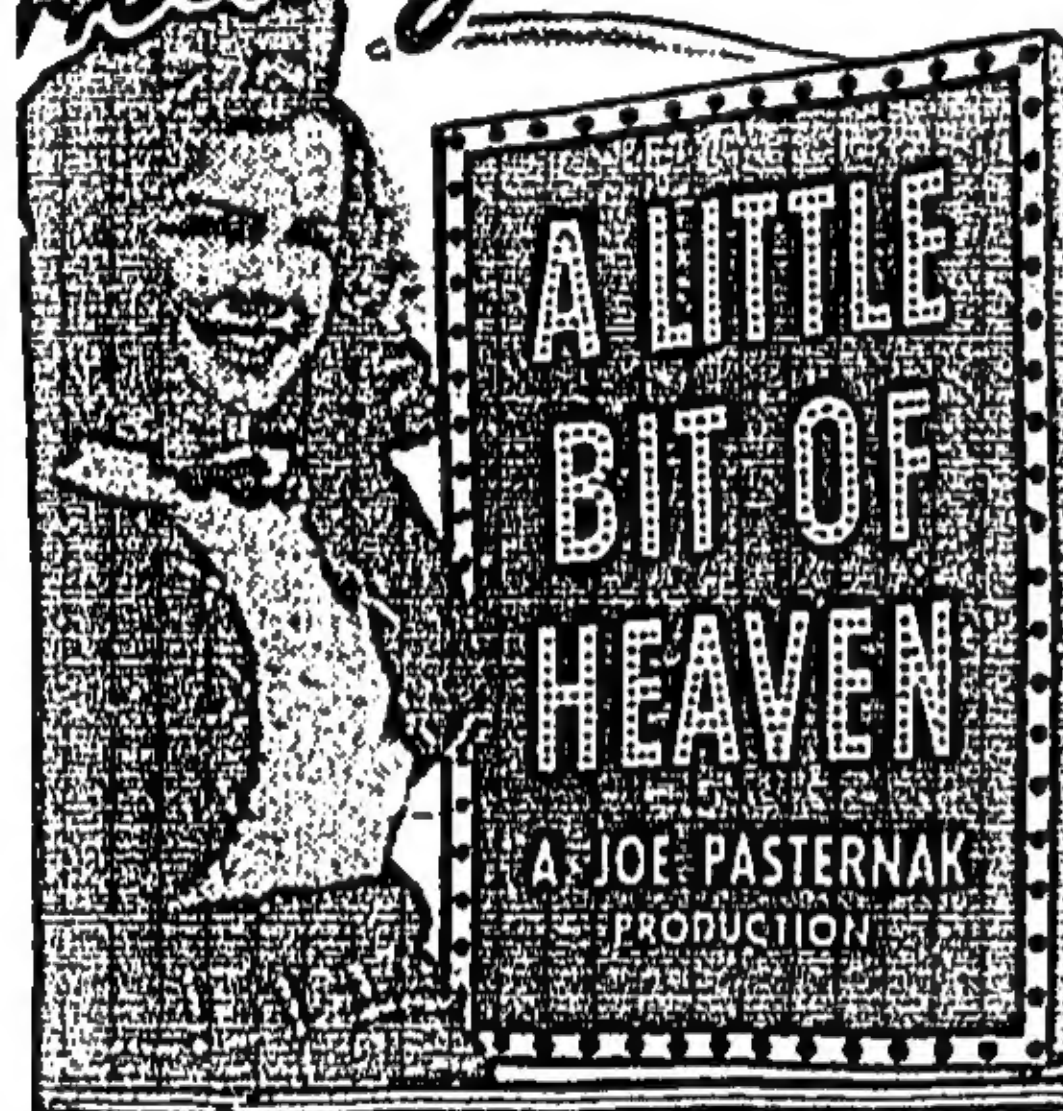
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IRAN SETTLEMENT FILLS DANGEROUS GAPS IN THE FRONT

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent in Teheran)

WITH THE NEW 22-YEAR-OLD SHAH, MOHAMED RIZA PAHLEVI, ON THE THRONE, AND HIS GATHERING POPULARITY, WITH UNEXPECTED RAPIDITY THE IRANIAN PEOPLE HAVE SET OUT TO BANISH THE MEMORY OF THE OLD REGIME AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

Parliament has already set up several commissions to reform the laws and practices which one month ago none would have dared to question, and establish new ones. Perhaps the biggest question to be tackled is that of the monopolies which have grown to a point where they have practically strangled all individual commercial initiative in Iran.

These monopolies brought great profits to the country's budget, but they were disposed of in unconstitutional fashion by the ex-Shah. They also found their way into the ex-Shah's private pocket.

Another point on which Iranians are determined is that there shall be no sliding back into the ways of the late regime in regard to the supremacy of Parliament's voice in the Government of their country.

"Rubber Stamp"

Terrorised for 15 years into acting as a "rubber stamp," Iran's 136 deputies are now trying to ensure that their rights, as laid down in the Constitution, shall be permanently honoured.

The difficulty, however, is that a considerable section of Parliament is demanding free elections as opposed to the hitherto farcically rigid voting, while other deputies are determined to hold their present seats as long as possible.

This dispute may be the precursor of many others, marking Iran's progress from one of the world's strongest dictatorships towards democracy.

Meanwhile, with the delimitation of the main outlines of Iran's political future, dangerous gaps have been filled in the Anglo-Russian front which now spreads from West Africa across Asia and Europe to Murmansk.

Caucasus Defence

The defence of the Caucasus, which is the main barrier to Germany's advance towards the world's principal oil supply, is now organised in tremendous depth by Russian troops. Behind them lie the British forces guarding the communications along which will flow supplies to Russia from Britain, the Empire and America.

Arrangements for these supplies to Russia are already well on the way to completion, but the future stabilisation of the internal situation is first necessary.

This stabilisation awaits, among other things, the disposal of the remaining Axis agents. These include 150 Germans, four dangerous Italians, the ex-Grand Mufti of Jerusalem and several supporters of Raschid Ali.

The ex-Shah, whose future is now being discussed by the British, Russian and Persian Governments, is still at Isfahan, the main city of Central Iran. Two envoys, one of whom is a distant relative of the ex-Shah, have been dispatched by the Iranian Government to Isfahan to obtain from the ex-Shah a document restoring to the Iranian people some of the vast wealth he had extorted from them.

These envoys arrived at Isfahan on Friday, but it is not yet known here whether the ex-Shah is resisting their demands.—Reuter.

BRITON SAVED U.S. NURSE

How an unknown Englishman helped to safety an American Red Cross nurse, when the ship in which she and 16 other nurses were travelling to Britain was torpedoed was revealed by Nurse Shirley Ralph, of Long Island.

Of the 17 nurses in the ship Maasdam, 8,812 tons, 15 have been landed, and it is hoped that the two others have been picked up. They were coming to Britain to join the American Harvard Field hospital.

Miss Ralph said that one of the boats in which the nurses got away from the ship was damaged and capsized. Those who could swim were told to make for a nearby ship. The others clung to the overturned boat to await rescue.

"Three of the nurses swam away in their lifebelts," she said, "and one of them who was becoming exhausted by the heavy waves was supported by a man until she was picked up. I do not know who he was, except that he was an English passenger in our ship."

"The captain and crew of the ship which rescued us gave up their cabins and lent us sweaters and jerseys in place of our soaked uniforms."

Pretty Frocks Gone

"Some of us had brought some pretty frocks," she added, "but we have lost everything except the clothes we wore and

THE TOBRUK STANDARD

"The defence of Tobruk is one of the greatest events in human history," said Mr. Menzies in a speech yesterday in Melbourne. In his speech he rebuked profiteers, strikers, and "self-seekers."

He added: "I am passionately convinced that nothing short of the Tobruk standard will save us."

—Reuter.

GAVE UP POST AFTER 4 MONTHS

SIR REARDON SMITH RESIGNED IN JULY FROM THE POSITION OF REGIONAL SHIPPING REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE BRISTOL CHANNEL AREA, TO WHICH HE WAS APPOINTED LAST MARCH.

He was one of three "speed up" chiefs appointed by the Ministry of Shipping.

He is chairman of the Cardiff and Bristol Channel Ship-owners' Association and controls one of the largest fleets in the country.

Sir Willie is 54. He is chief of the £1,500,000 Reardon Smith Line.

our money and passports." Nurse Lillian Evans, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, was one of those who swam to safety. She was in a rough sea, she said, for an hour. "When I reached the other ship they threw me out lifelines," she said, "but I was so exhausted that I could not hang on, and I floated round till I was picked up."

Nurse Ruth Martin, of Washington, was flung to the floor when the torpedo struck the ship. "I jumped up, grabbed my bag and lifebelt and ran up to the deck to the boat to which I had been assigned," she said. "There was no confusion on board."

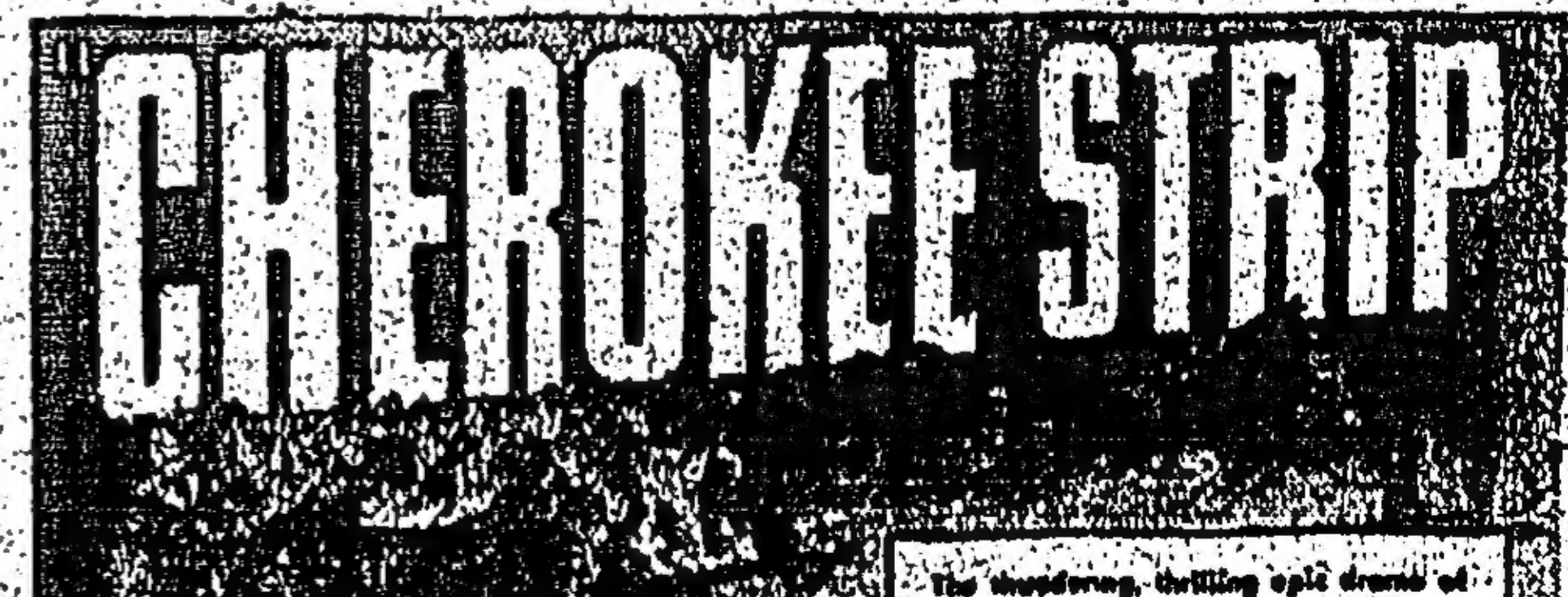
The nurses had discarded the makeshift clothing in which they disembarked and were once again in the neat dark-blue uniforms and soft hats of the Harvard unit.

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FATHER AND BABY VANISH

Police and search parties are scouring Durham villages and Woods for Frank Henry Varden, 37, and his son William, 2½, who left their home in Forsythe Road, Jesmond, Newcastle-on-Tyne, for a walk and have not been seen since.

Mrs. Varden told the "Daily Mirror": "My husband is highly strung. Something must have happened in his mind."

"I have had a letter from him dated Monday, bearing Chester-le-Street postmark in which he said he and Billy were spending their last day together and that I would never see them again."

"We were happy and both adored the baby."

JAPANESE ENVOYS

THE JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE ON SATURDAY ANNOUNCED TWO DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS.

Mr. Masatoshi Akiyama has been named Japanese Minister to Nicaragua.

Mr. Denjiro Kato is appointed consul-general at Vienna and at the same time First Secretary of the Japanese Legation in Slovakia.—Reuter.

ORGANISING THE EYES OF THE ARMY

ONE OF THE WAR'S most vital tasks is that of the "eyes of the Army"—the Cooperation Command, whose squadrons watch the battlefield.

Pilots are men trained in the art of reconnaissance. Upon their zeal and initiative in the air may well depend the fate of armies on the ground, for it is upon the accuracy and speed of aerial reconnaissance that the decisions of army chiefs are often made.

Should a British offensive be in progress or the enemy threatening an attack, Army Cooperation squadrons will be at instant readiness on airfields close to the army formations to which they are attached. Pilots will be standing by the aircraft waiting for orders.

Air Liaison officers—Army officers who form a link between Army commanders and Air Cooperation squadrons—will be receiving messages from Army H.Q. seeking information which aerial reconnaissance alone can provide.

What Army Wants

Suddenly a pilot will be summoned. The air liaison officers will explain the mission, explain perhaps what the Army wants, whether tanks are moving behind the enemy lines or whether reinforcements of troops are massing near a certain village.

The pilot will make the necessary reconnaissance, watching the skies for hostile aircraft.

If the mission is urgent he may send information by wireless or drop a written message as soon as he returns to the landing ground.

Part of the mission may be to take aerial photographs of a particular position pinpoint on his map. Then he will keep the aircraft steady while the camera does the job.

The squadron's photographic staff will stage the camera, process the negatives and deliver the prints without delay to the air liaison officer, so that he can either report direct to Army H.Q. or send the photographs to H.Q. for examination there.

Strategic Study

Another type of reconnaissance may also be required—strategic reconnaissance.

This reconnaissance is not over or near the scene of fighting but well behind the battle front.

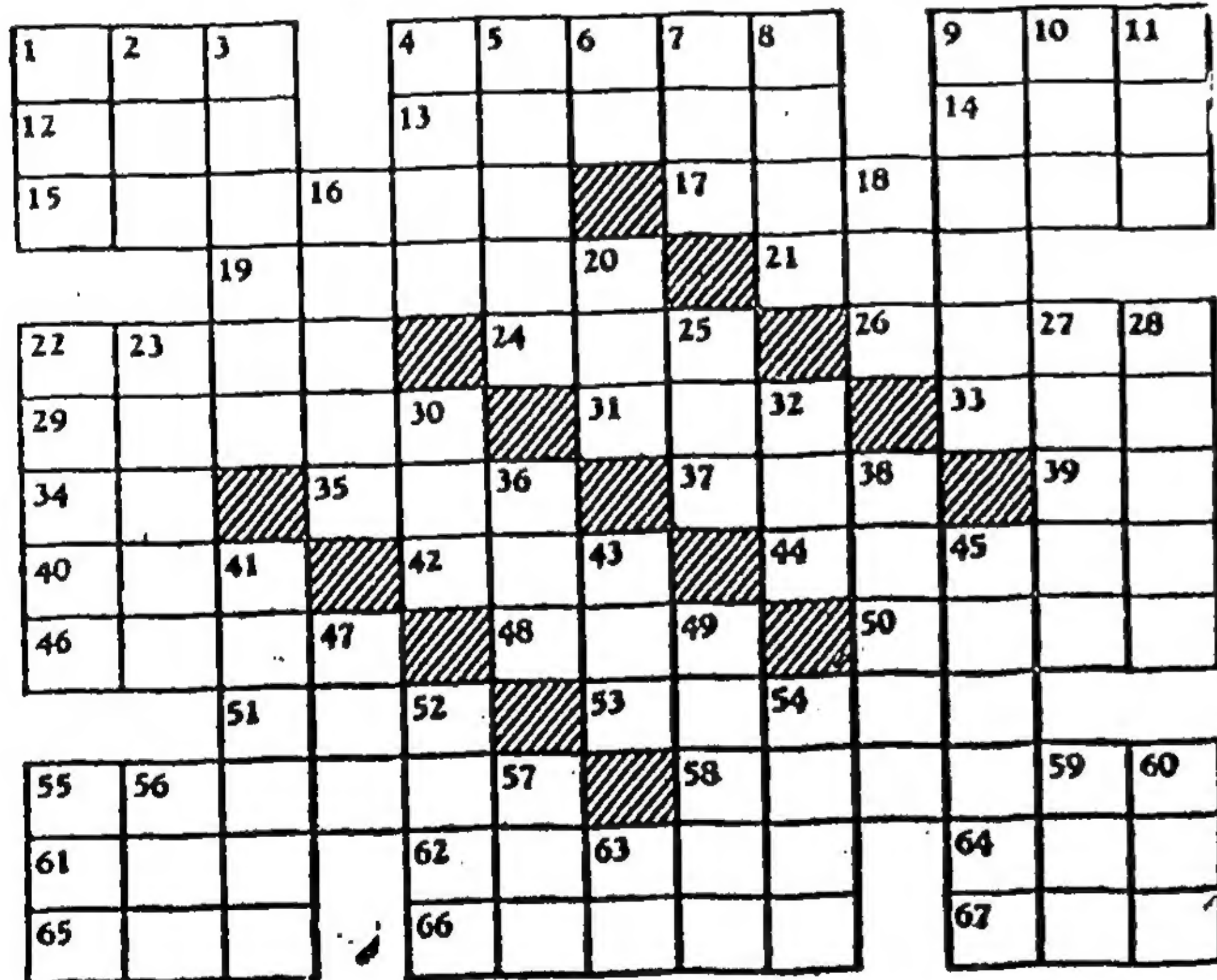
Pilots are rigorously trained for this class of work and become extremely proficient in reporting by wireless to the artillery commander where shells are falling.

If they are exploding short he will notify the gunners. If they are too far ahead he will direct fire to the objective till the shells find the mark and the battery is destroyed.

It is a perilous task for the pilot. A.A. fire may harass him, enemy fighters pursue him.

But the work must be done and no Army Cooperation pilot wants to return to base before his reconnaissance mission is accomplished.—British Wireless.

OUR 10-MINUTE CROSS-WORD



HORIZONTAL

- 1 Clue
- 4 Likeness
- 9 Cravat
- 12 Trouble
- 13 Artificial
- 14 Measure of length
- 15 English dramatist
- 17 French dramatist
- 19 Presenter
- 21 Hard-shelled fruit
- 22 To retain
- 24 To take from illegally
- 26 List
- 28 Missile
- 31 Humorous
- 32 Prohibition
- 34 River in Italy
- 35 Inlet
- 37 Light brown
- 39 Hebrew month
- 40 Greek letter
- 42 Title of respect
- 44 To fall into disuse
- 46 Norse galley
- 48 Marriage portion
- 50 Metropolis

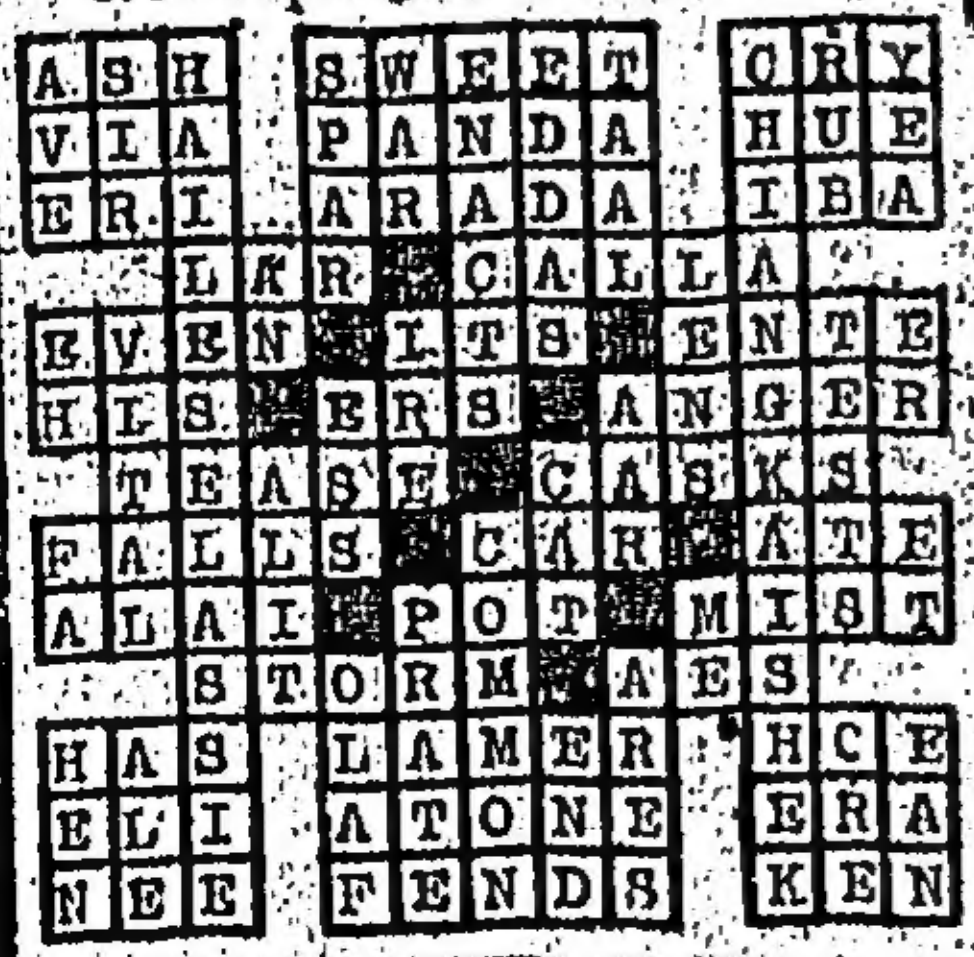
VERTICAL

- 1 Dervish's cap
- 2 Artificial language
- 3 To meditate
- 4 Religious representation
- 5 Lord's estate
- 6 Article
- 7 Pike-like fish
- 8 Dash
- 9 Sea demigod

VERTICAL

- 10 Electrified particle
- 11 Holland commune
- 16 Deep sleep
- 18 Mongrel
- 20 Line
- 22 Greek letter
- 23 Eaten away
- 25 Seized with the teeth
- 27 To warm thoroughly
- 28 Monastery
- 30 Archaic to suppose
- 32 Hindu cymbals
- 33 Assistance
- 35 Mother-of-pearl
- 41 Alts
- 43 Fabulous bird
- 45 Had compassion for
- 47 Fellow
- 49 Young dog
- 52 Arabian sailing vessel
- 54 Former English queen
- 55 Teamster's cry
- 56 Rowing implement
- 57 To blunder
- 59 Caustic substance
- 60 Sheltered
- 63 To leave

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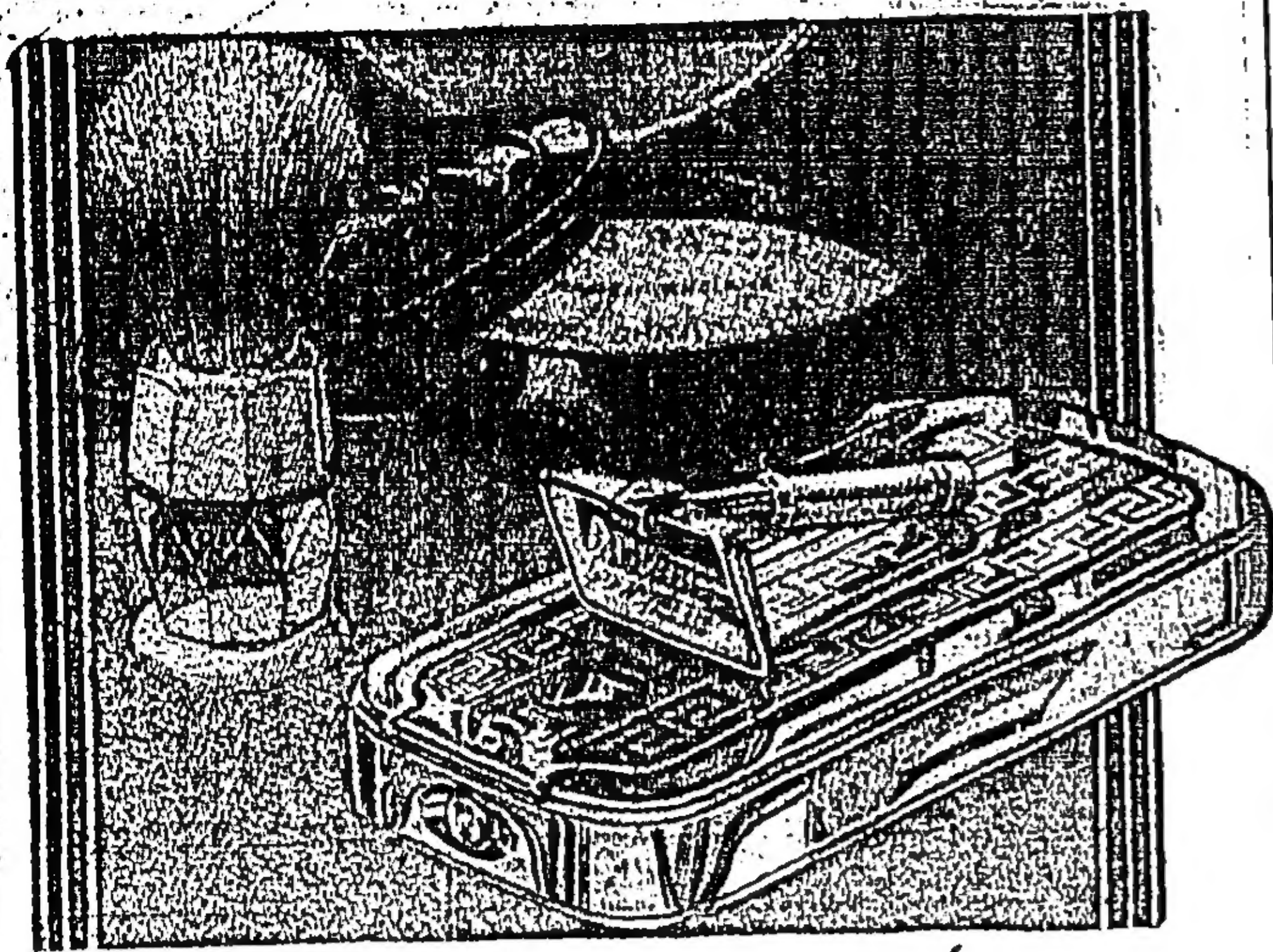
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AMERICA MAY GET BASES IN EIRE

(By William W. White)

THE EXTENSION of the United States naval patrol in the North Atlantic as far as southern Ireland was the subject of London speculation. It was reported the plan was another definite outcome of the Roosevelt-Churchill meeting at sea.

Although there was no official confirmation available, sources believed that the coveted bases which Eire will not cede to England might perhaps be "taken over" by the United States in much the same manner as was done in Iceland, with the American "protective" forces ready and willing to evacuate at the end of the war.

It is reported that Robert Brennan, the Irish Minister to the United States, called on Sumner Welles, Under Secretary of State, in Washington, which led to speculation there that the American Navy might operate from the Irish bases without letting the British use them. There was some belief in Washington that the Irish might grant the Americans air bases only.

Step Called "Logical"

As one foreign affairs expert said: "The step is a very logical one, and has been for some time. Although we haven't heard about it, such a move follows recent United States pronouncements."

Presumably the bases most likely to be taken over by the United States would be the ones England wanted most—Berehaven and Cobh (Queenstown), which was the chief operational base for the American fleet in European waters in the World War.

Both are on the south-west coast and would give immediate access to the vitally important western approaches, where German raiders and submarines were so successful in the opening stages of the Battle of the Atlantic.

The steps seem all the more urgent in view of the growing belief, as expressed recently by General Jan Christian Smuts, the Union of South Africa Prime Minister, that the Mediterranean will develop into "the greatest battlefield humanity has yet seen."

Hinted By Hopkins

If American patrols can stop entirely the sinking of supplies, as Colonel Frank Knox, American Secretary of the Navy, says they have between the United States and Iceland, there is every reason to suppose that those patrols could be equally effective in the lanes between Iceland and Ireland, thus releasing many of Great Britain's capital ships and large destroyers for the Battle of the Mediterranean.

The rumoured move also proceeds along lines suggested by Harry L. Hopkins, lend-lease administrator, at a press conference in London last month. Discussing shipments of food and munitions to England, he said: "We will protect our ships."

American labour and technicians, it is pointed out, already are working for Britain in three places in Northern Ireland and at one place in Scotland.

Britain, particularly its hard-worked navy, which is doing the job seven navies did in the World War, obviously would welcome the acquisition of the bases by the United States, but the reception in fiercely neutral Eire would hardly be so cordial, unless the United States could reach an agreement with the De Valera government for the use of the bases in return for guarantees of food supplies and protection against the sure-to-follow German air raids.

However, speculation was rife in London that America might risk the move in spite of Irish hostility.

V LIGHTS SEEN BY R.A.F.

Lights, red, white and yellow, in the shape of the letter V, were seen by British bomber crews as they flew over France, Belgium and Holland on their way to blast the German industrial centres of Frankfurt and Mannheim.

There was no explanation in London of the mysterious V lights—they were seen the previous night—but there was no doubt about their appearance.

When the first of our crews reported the lights—over France—they story was received with a sceptical smile by the interrogating officer at the base.

But other crews had seen these lights, and other Vs, in France, and in Belgium and Holland.

They were not, the crews said, anything like the lights of an aerodrome.

One V was made by white lights enclosed in a circle of red lights and another by five yellow lights in each arm.

They varied between 12ft. and 50ft. in length, but a V in Belgium seemed to be about 400 yards long and was made of continuous lines of light. "It was like a neon sign," said a pilot.

SERGEANT-PILOT BEAT 5 NAZIS

FIVE MESSERSCHMITTS were tackled single-handed by an R.A.F. sergeant-pilot during a break-fast-time raid on Northern France.

When one Messerschmitt blew up and another burst into flames, the remainder fled and the pilot rejoined his squadron.

Another sergeant-pilot who lost his formation got into a battle which brought him down to roof-top height over the Belgian coast.

He found himself alone near a long convoy of enemy ships and, turning, raked the whole line of vessels with his cannon and machine-gun fire.

"Shot-Up" Watch Tower

Then, seeing a Messerschmitt about to land on an aerodrome a few miles inland, he shot it down on its own base.

To wind up, he "shot up" a watch tower, from which the startled watchkeeper fell out.

Some of our heaviest bombers were among the large force engaged.

The targets were a factory at Lille and enemy shipping off the French coast.

VALENTINE "KILLER" MADE IN MONTH

Valentine, the British Army's new 16-ton "killer" tank, owes its name to its day of birth.

About a year before the war experts in a leading armament firm inspected a new infantry tank model. They were so critical that they were challenged to produce a better one in just one month.

On February 14—St. Valentine's Day—the designers completed their job exactly on time. So Mark III was christened "Valentine."

NOW THEY FEEL FINE

Call to Lieutenant Hornemann, of the 372nd German Infantry Regiment, was broadcast by Moscow.

Hornemann was told by no means to worry about fifteen of his soldiers whom he had sent on patrol.

"The whole patrol has deserted to us and we are authorised to inform you that they feel fine," said the announcer.

PARACHUTIST SLEEP-WALKED

Walking in his sleep after parachute instruction, Lieutenant Henri Selwyn Halliday, of the R.A., squeezed through a window eighteen inches by twenty-two, and fell twenty-four feet to death.

The jury, at the inquest, added to a verdict of Accidental death that in all probability he was sleep-walking when he dived through the window.

Halliday was in civil life a bank clerk living at Morden, Surrey.

AIR-ARMY LINK WORKS FAST NOW

In the old days cooperation between the Army and the Air Force was a slow business, and bombing of a target was subject to many unnecessary delays.

Invasion exercises carried out by Eastern and Western Forces in the Yorkshire Dales demonstrated the enormous speed-up since the war began.

A few minutes after the commanding officer telephoned the need to bomb a certain target pilots were being "briefed", at their headquarters, and in a startlingly short time our bombers were over the target.

"Still greater developments are in prospect," said a military expert.



THE COURSE IS FORWARD

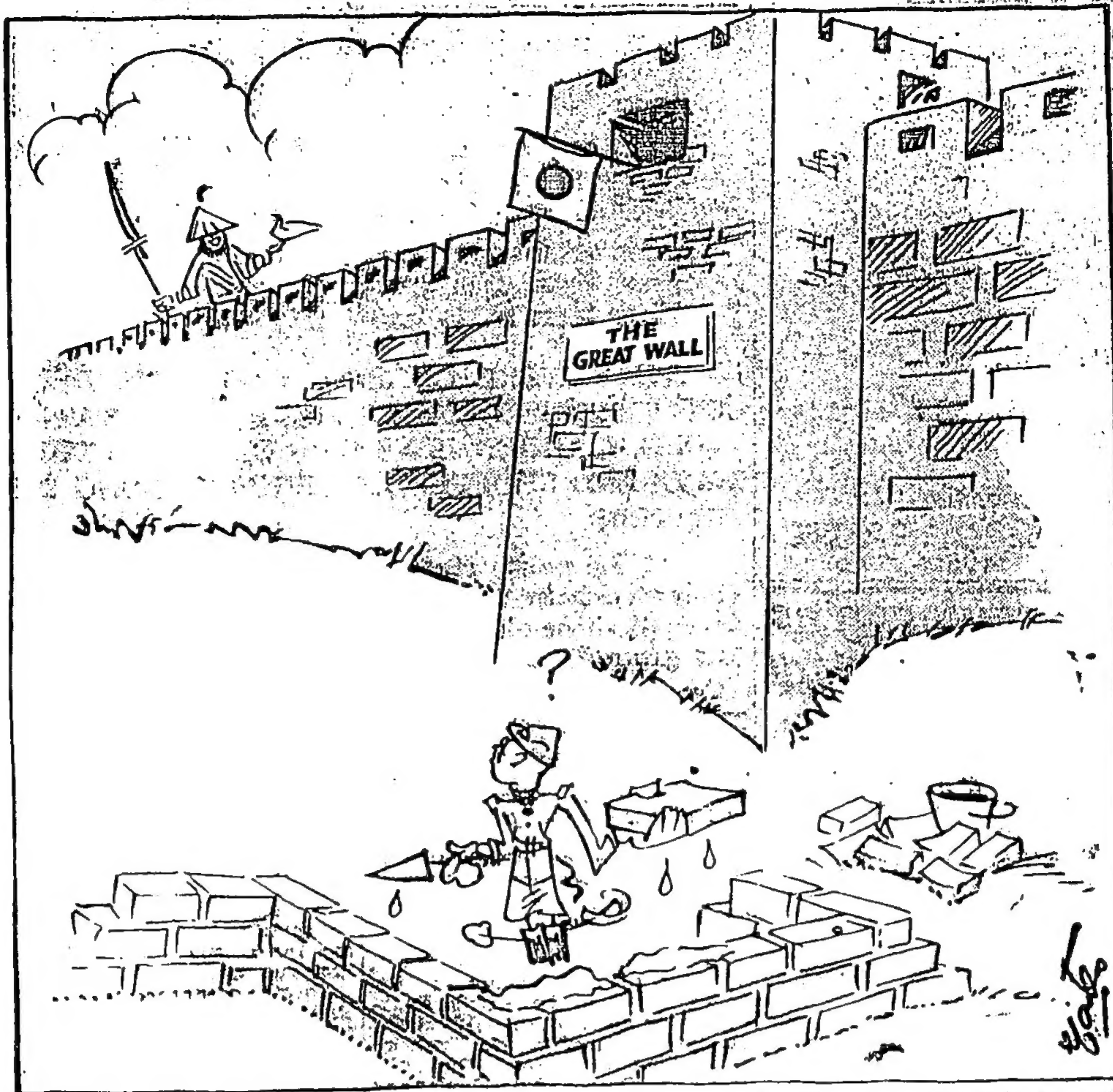
Axis propagandists assert that the people of the United States are disunited and not behind the President in his foreign policy. They argue that the United States can neither fight a war on its own behalf nor contribute effectively to the resistance of the nations which are fighting now against aggression and the rule of force.

In arriving at these conclusions the Axis propagandists also take much too short a view. It is undeniably true that there has been some let-down in the anxiety of both Congress and the American people during recent weeks. This is the direct consequence of the fact that the war suddenly turned east at the end of June, since which time the German armies have been fully occupied in Russia. But this is merely a temporary shift of front; and the Axis ought to have no illusions about American policy in the future, after what has been demonstrated. This let-down is only a small dip in a line that has been moving forward and that will continue to move forward.

The change in American sentiment as the war progressed has been tremendous. Two years ago, it was thought that America was committed irrevocably to a cold and anemic neutrality. The commitment was unreal. She has abandoned that neutrality. She has repealed the arms embargo which made it impossible for friends abroad to obtain the weapons of self-defence. She is now supplying those weapons at her cost, gladly and gratefully. She has taken steps which would have seemed incredible to the Axis Powers when the war began: making the Lease-Lend Act, with its far-reaching implications, the foundation of foreign policy; made Iceland an American base; raised an army by conscription for the first time in peacetime history; put fifty destroyers directly into British service; used merchant ships to carry war supplies to the British Near Eastern front, and last but not least the shooting order to the Navy. What is more the United States have reached a point at which more and more people are beginning to see clearly that, far from being "too weak to fight"—it fight she must—America is superbly equipped in those weapons which she would be called upon to use.

In the development of American opinion toward the issues of this war there have been periods of pause, during which the nation stopped to take account of measures already adopted, and there have been periods of momentary relaxation, which still new and unexpected developments, such as Hitler's excursion into Russia, seemed to lighten the pressure of immediate danger. But there has been no departure from the main line. That line has led steadily and unmistakably and irresistibly towards a closer association with those nations which are fighting for their freedom and toward the use of American power as the decisive factor in the winning of this war.

"WHAT! TRYING TO ENCIRCLE YERSELF?"



(It is reported from Shanghai that the Japanese are constructing an 18-foot-high wall from Tientsin for a hundred miles, along the coast, running parallel with the railway, as a protection against guerrillas.)

Nazi Agents Busy In East

NAZI agents employing familiar pressure techniques are hard at work in Japan, and less visibly in China, attempting to impel the Far East down a path marked out by Berlin as essential to the imposition of its pattern of conquest in this vital segment of the world.

Japan, as the main instrumentality chosen by Hitler to further his Far Eastern ambitions, teems with Nazi agents.

Nobusuke Kishi, former Japanese Vice-Minister of Commerce and Industry, is reported from Tokyo to have found an influx of German travellers in Japanese-occupied portions of China and in Manchukuo. He has just returned from a tour there. Writing in the Tokyo newspaper "Nichi Nichi," Mr. Kishi reported:

"One thing I particularly noticed in China was the number of German travellers. No matter how far I went into China Germans were trying to establish economic rights."

Japanese nationals in China have increased "five or 10 times," but Mr. Kishi added they were doing little "in the way of economic establishment."

Describing Hankow as "the first line of Japanese military activities," Mr. Kishi reported that "many British and American factories are closed, but the Germans are establishing themselves firmly."

Reservations By Japanese

For a variety of reasons, Japan has been selected by Nazi strategists as their chief Far Eastern tool. The Japanese, with Oriental cynicism, have accepted a place in the Hitlerian orbit under full reservations against the day when this pact of convenience might be scrapped, as was the one between Germany and Soviet Russia.

Nazi Germany's most immediate strategic aim in the Pacific—immobilising the United States Navy and as much other Allied power as possible—accounts for the preponderance of Nazi attention to Tokyo instead of to China.

That China is not being overlooked in the larger strategic picture as seen from Berlin is indicated by the presence of Nazi agents. German sources say that about 4,000 Germans are in China to-day, about half of them in Shanghai. This figure includes casual residents and businessmen as well as more active Nazis.

Doubtful On Influence

Due to the difficulty of obtaining ship accommodations from the United States, and due to the fact that it is virtually impossible for

any large number of Germans to arrive in China from the homeland. It is not felt that the influx of Germans can take on the character of a political "infiltration." It is not in evidence that the Germans are exerting any appreciable influence on the Wang Ching-wei puppet regime at Nanking, or on the Japanese in China, although Berlin's recent recogni-

By A Staff Correspondent Of The "Christian Science Monitor"

tion of Mr. Wang resulted in a flareup in comradeship feeling.

The Japanese are angered because the Germans in evacuating Chungking refuse to supply information.

Berlin ordered German businesses in Shanghai to hold tight to present stocks, purchase additional supplies, and await eventualities in anticipation of German control over the Trans-Siberian Railway, but many lack funds and are therefore selling their stocks in order to meet current expenses.

Nazi firms discharged many non-German employees such as Russians and Chinese, but German staffs were not affected.

Large Increase Recently

German says the number of their nationals in China was about the same last year due to constant travel homeward via the Trans-Siberian Railway. However, recently there undoubtedly has been a large increase.

Due to the fact that Atlantic travel is impossible, many Germans in the United States and in Latin America who were travelling homeward used the Pacific and the Trans-Siberian line.

The outbreaks of the Russo-German war therefore marooned many Germans in Shanghai and in Japan. Recently many Nazis in Free China have been coming to Shanghai following the rupture of Chungking-Berlin relations. There are also some from Manila, plus Vladivostok consular officials.

The Netherlands Indies recently released hundreds of Nazi women and children held in internment camps, of which the majority are

now in Japan, but many in Shanghai.

"Thought Offenders"

Meanwhile institution of a system of virtual concentration camps in Japan, one of the few hallmarks of totalitarianism heretofore missing in that country, is under way. Prisoners will mostly be "thought offenders," a term used to describe liberals, Communists, and any other persons ideologically out of step with the national policies of the moment.

Ordinarily in the past "dangerous thinkers" have been picked up by police on suspicion and subjected to extensive grilling. Those believed to constitute a dangerous element have been held for years, without trial frequently, and the gaols of Japan to-day are jammed with liberal college professors, political workers, students and others. Many have been freed after confessing a change of heart which the authorities believe is genuine; others prefer to suffer for their intellectual crimes.

It has suddenly been realised, however, that some "dangerous thinkers" in the past were given legal gaol terms which are about to end and that they still refuse to admit the error of their ways. The question therefore arose as to what to do with such persons and the concentration camp scheme—disguised as "preventive detention stations"—was hit on as the answer, undoubtedly with some Nazi prompting.

A Communist group whose 10-year term expires this autumn and which maintains its ideology intact will be the star attraction. They are reported to have shown active resistance to the efforts of the prison authorities to convert them.

Preventive Detention

Once in the "preventive detention station" the unreconstructed "dangerous thinkers" can be kept there indefinitely until the authorities are convinced they have been converted.

The concentration camp, harsh as it may seem, is actually hailed as evidence of Japanese humanitarianism. Original suggestions would have instituted capital punishment for those released offenders who refused to change their thinking.

In an interview with the Tokyo "Nichi Nichi," Yoshiro Nakamura, head of the first camp set up in connection with the Tokyo penitentiary, declared that such an idea was repugnant to the Japanese since "Japan is not the Soviet Union or Germany where, we are told, they condemn thought offenders of the darkest hue to capital punishment."

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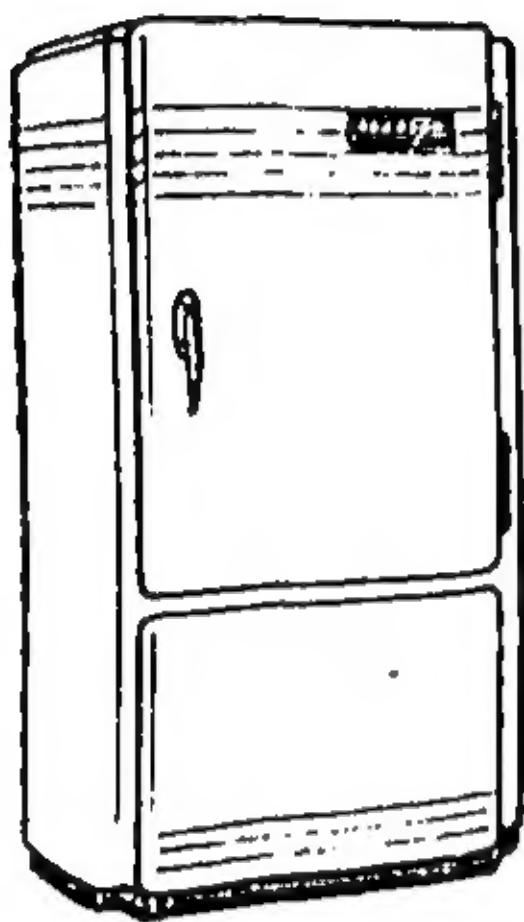
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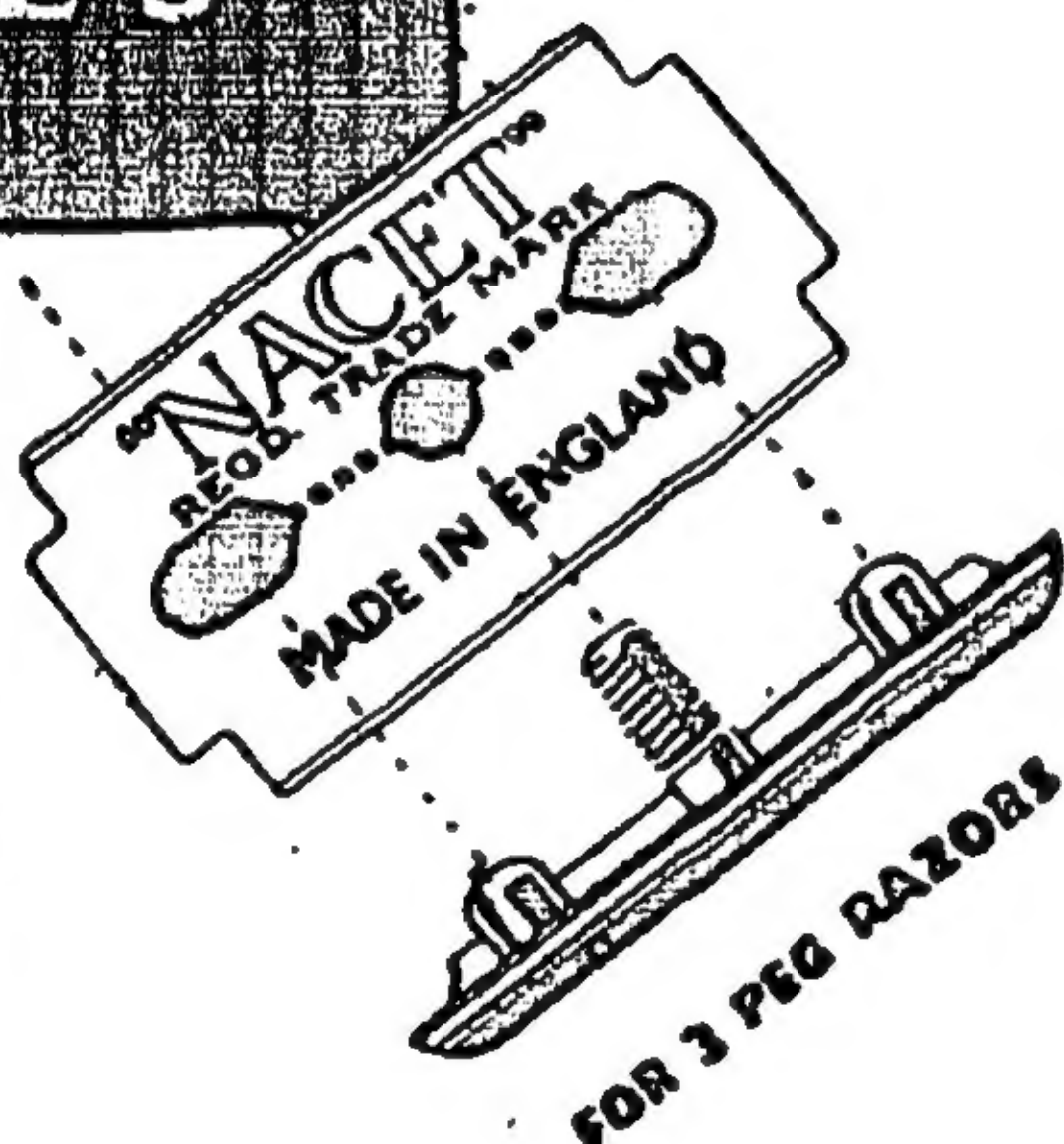
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"Oh, the usual things. Art galleries. Museums. Feeding the ducks in St. James's Park."
"Neither am I. I'm going to step high, wide and handsome in spite of the bombs. By the time I've finished the metropolis will be painted a chaste crushed strawberry."

"Well. Well. Boys will be boys. Only beware of pickpockets, don't play billiards with strangers for money, and always wear flannel next your skin."
"I hear you, uncle. And now, take a tip from me. Try and remember this time to mix some Rose's Lime Juice with your gin. Or take a long one to wind up the seemly fun and games. There's no time for mornings-after on a seven days' leave."
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THE STREET TOWARDS THE POLICE STATION
—OLD BEARDED JEWS WHO CLUNG TO THEIR
HATS AND SHUFFLED PITIFULLY ALONG THE
GUTTERS.**

At the police station, the Nazi police took off their steel helmets and I watched them smash in the faces of these old men, till each fell unconscious to the ground.

The crowd—a Viennese crowd—stood and laughed on the pavement opposite. When a Jewish girl tried to save her father from brutality they rolled her face in the gutter mud, and kicked her on the ground.

That was my introduction to Nazism in practice—November, 1938, just a year before war broke out.

Since then I have been abroad all the time, in many of the countries where the sadistic Prussian claw has brought with it the carrion stench of the Nazi vulture—in Danzig, Poland, Rumania, Bulgaria, Greece, Yugoslavia and Spain.

I have seen the beast in action. It's grand to be home again—but there is one thing about England I do not understand. There still seem to be people who think that Germany is peopled with amiable fools misled by a single lunatic.

People who keep assuring me: "Of course, Jerry himself is a good chap. It's Hitler we're after."

Absolute bunkum.

**WE ARE FIGHTING NOT
ONE, BUT 80,000,000 SADIISTS.**

In Serbia to-day, they are hanging men and young girls on the fruit trees—or at least they hang what is left of their bodies after Nazi "treatment." They love displaying their accomplishments, with a touch of irony.

In January this year, I flew in a German machine back to Bucharest, where the Germans had staged a very effective little revolution.

The bus from the airport passed a number of naked bodies on the famous lime-tree boulevard leading into the town. That afternoon I was taken to the great slaughter house to see the real thing.

On the hooks—where the carcasses of cattle are normally hung—they had impaled hundreds of bodies—men, women and girls, mostly Jewish, whom they had beaten, raped or slaughtered. On the bodies they hung cardboard notices proclaiming that this was "Kosher Meat."

Nazi Humour

It is hard to believe "Jerry himself is a good chap" after witnessing this master-stroke of Nazi humour.

Earlier in Bucharest they got seven Englishmen, including the man I shared digs with.

Green Shirts, under Gestapo control, amused themselves pulling out the toe-nails of two of them and hanging two others by their arms.

My own friend got off lightest, being stripped naked and kicked till he was unconscious. He showed me the results a few days later when we got him back.

In Danzig I saw Polish girls being taken by force by groups of German youths, who lined up laughingly in sex-crazed queues, waiting for their satisfaction.

Stukas' Holiday

I was in Yugoslavia when the Stukas had a holiday. There was no defence, and they came screaming down to 300ft. to machine-gun those heroic Serbian civilians, who—unlike the French—refused to leave their cities or villages and clutter up the roads.

Not Hitler, but the average German airman, came down in those furious screaming dives to murder the old men and women of Serbia.

I was in Bulgaria too, when the Germans came, this time as "friends." They amused themselves with some friendly machine-gunning in any village where the civilians did not toe the line quickly enough.

I saw the sufferings of the bravest of them all—the Greek Tommy and the Greek woman; and these sufferings must by now be worse. Frenchmen have told me about the prisons in Spain now run under Axis influence.

Various censorships prevented the truth from being told; but it is something that Britain must know and realise.

Hitler and his 80,000,000 fanatics are one and united.

United in a savagery the world has never known.

"Jerry himself" is no more a good chap than is the snarling sadist of Berchtesgaden. His spirit now has reached them all.

It is "Jerry himself" who is starving and torturing the gagged millions of occupied Europe—"Jerry himself" whom we must wipe off the face of the map.

SO BRITAIN FOUGHT ON

Before Dunkirk, when it was feared that less than 20,000 of the B.E.F. would get out of France, the British Cabinet was told by Mr. Churchill that the Navy was still intact and the R.A.F. had shown its mettle.

The Premier advised fighting on to prevent invasion until help arrived from abroad. He invited any Cabinet Minister who disagreed with this plan to resign. None did.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald made this disclosure at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

NECK VEIN CUT, PILOT FLEW HIS BOMBER HOME

A SERGEANT PILOT, a vein in his neck severed by a chance bullet in the raid on Merville Aerodrome, near Lille, brought his badly battered Blenheim bomber safely home. His story was told by the Air Ministry News Service but, as usual, the hero's name was not revealed.

After the pilot was hit his observer pressed his thumb to the vein and partly stopped the flow of blood. The sergeant was able to keep the bomber on an even keel.

An M.E. attacked, but the rear gunner shot it to pieces.

The Blenheim was then flying in formation with other bombers, and they were attacked by nine more Messerschmitts which were driven off.

Throughout this the observer was tending the wounded pilot, who, having lost much blood in spite of the pressure on his neck, collapsed in a momentary faint.

Fainted, Collided

His aircraft shot forward among the formation of bombers and collided with one of them, which was turned upside down by the impact. The pilot was able to right it.

TOUGH TOBRUK GARRISON

**Strange Life In A
Ruined Town.**

Here in the desert on the Egyptian-Libyan frontier we look across the enemy-occupied ground separating us from the Tobruk garrison, thoughts of whom we have perpetually in mind.

News comes in regularly, for the German harassing tactics utterly fail to interrupt sea communications. There is much coming and going, but always a returned member of the garrison gets a lively questioning for details of the troops' strange life in the ruined town.

Tobruk has again been battered by one of the biggest air raids of recent weeks. The garrison remains, according to unanimous testimonies, magnificently spirited and confident in the formidable defences of the perimeter.

Life is hard. Men recall memories of one-time beer-drinking days as a distant golden age, but Tobruk's detestable water is mitigated by the common use now of condensers, improvised from Italian radiators and petrol tins. This water is preferable to the local wells. The rations are abundant, if monotonous.

The raid casualties have been wonderfully few, but 16 Italian prisoners lost their lives when a hospital was bombed the other day. A local newspaper entitled "Tobruk Truth" or "Dinkum Oil" appears daily, based on B.B.C. bulletins. Some time this will command a fancy price.

An indication of the garrison's spirit is given by an unconventional formation known as "bush artillery," made up of cooks, batmen, &c., who have been making use of captured Italian guns and ammunition as a diversion from their normal duties.

More or less by the light of nature they have acquired something of gunnery, and have scored successes with tip and run shots. Not only Australia but England, Scotland, and Canada are represented in the Tobruk division that is now testifying to the toughness of our race.

When the formation arrived over Britain the wounded pilot, feeling he was unable to carry on, told his crew to bale out. They persuaded him to let them stay while he attempted a landing.

The leader of the formation ordered the Blenheim to break away and make for the nearest aerodrome.

When the pilot tried to put his flaps down ready for landing the aircraft immediately went into a spin. One flap had been shot away.

But he still retained sufficient strength to correct the spin and bring the Blenheim down safely. The pilot, now in hospital, is expected to recover.

RAYMOND CLAPPER SAYS:-

THE V SPIRIT FILLS LABOUR RANKS IN BRITAIN

(By Raymond Clapper)

WHEREAS THERE IS much grumbling about in American defence work, I have not encountered any of it here in Scotland. Those industrialists with whom I have spoken say their men are working hard, and I find among the management a disposition to sympathise with the wartime burdens under which the men are labouring.

There is some apprehension — and it exists in the government as well as in industry — over certain signs of a general drive for higher wages. It is feared that such a general rise would throw the delicate price structure out of balance.

But that is a broad, general question. In the day-to-day, close-up relationships there seems to be much less feeling than we have in the United States as between labour and management. Here there is more of the sense that both sides are pitching in for a common purpose, the sense that both sides know full well that if the war effort fails everything will be lost. Here they are working under the gun, both the boss and the men know it.

Evidently that makes for more mutual tolerance. One industrialist told me the law prohibiting strikes has to be overlooked in minor troubles that come up from time to time. If half a dozen men become inflamed over a grievance and walk out they could theoretically be taken in hand by the law. But this industrialist said such procedure would be foolish and only make matters worse.

He thought it was better to allow the men to work off steam and take three or four days out. Then they come back to work in a much better frame of mind. They have all too few holidays now, and a few days out gives them a break. That is the attitude of one manager who thinks Ernest Bevin made a mistake in trying to introduce reforms during the war instead of waiting until afterward.

Proud

He does not like the guaranteed wage, or the fact that men cannot be discharged. He regards the right to discharge as a necessary weapon for discipline. But he recognises that this step was probably necessary compensation to the men for the essential-work order, which forbids them to strike.

In other plants managing directors pointed proudly to hundreds of busy workmen and remarked about their industriousness.

Here it seems to be a part of the management's pride to have good labour relations, unions are taken for granted. There seems to be no disposition to point to labour as a scapegoat when production is not what it should be.

Even the difficulty in getting coal miners to return to that industry, while it is a serious handicap, is generally recognised as the natural result of the under-pay and the hard working conditions in that industry. No one very much blames the men for drifting into the better-paid munitions works.

Men Eager To Help

One managing director told me of an instance where workmen were begging to be transferred to direct munitions work. There is a strong sense that everyone here is in the same boat and that everyone must win the war. Those not working directly on war materials are slightly uncomfortable. They want to have their hands on shell cases, fuses, gun mounts, or something else that may be going into action as soon as it leaves the factory.

The matter of patriotism is taken for granted. Nobody needs to say very much about it. A young bomber pilot comes back from a flight of eight hours that carried him over Germany, lands his plane, gets on his bicycle and

pedals three or four miles to the house where his family lives a safe distance from the airfield. It is all that matter-of-fact.

Public Solicitude For Men

The men in the plants are doing their stuff, and others in the community feel a responsibility to look out for them. Everywhere canteens for hot lunches are going in, because the whole community recognises that while others may have to go on short rations the men doing hard physical labour must have fuel in their bodies. So the food restrictions are waived for real noonday meals.

When the homes of Clyde shipworkers were demolished and the men moved their families 20 and 30 miles back into the country for safety, the Lord Provost of Glasgow saw to it that cheap bus fares were established for the long rides to and from work.

Even so, it is hard, and everything drives ahead against time. The British Isles are enjoying a lull, but everybody knows it cannot last. They all know that the real test for England is yet to come. Bombs go out of the factories with big V's chalked on them. In fuse factories every worker knows that a defective fuse is a lost opportunity. Every tank, every gun barrel counts and every ship plate that goes on the frame.

SUICIDE'S LAST LETTER

Before he shot himself with a revolver, Sergeant Major Instructor James Black, of Ardoyne, Belfast, wrote this letter among others. It was addressed: To Whom It May Concern.

I obtained the .38 by a particularly rotten trick—my only real regret — so attach no blame on the owner. I told him of a poor little dog with rabies—what a mordant sense of humour I have. I have acted fairly well. I flatter myself that no one who has seen me to-day guessed I am to die to-night. I obtained the gun by a dirty trick, I admit. But put the blame on the system which makes able-bodied men have only jackknives as a weapon. All set, so good-night.

Black made gifts of some personal effects to an orderly, then his letter continued:

Stopped Watch

Whoever finds me may not remember the exact time, and in giving a summary of the evidence necessary I fear time is a vital factor. I have stopped my wrist-watch and am now ready.

The coroner at the inquest in a North Wales town said the man's other letters displayed a wide knowledge of the classics. Suicide was the verdict, there being no evidence to show the state of Black's mind.



Congressman John Lawton in "The Ramparts We Watch," is portrayed by a lecturer and educator who had never faced a movie camera. Showing at the King's.

RECORD OF WODEHOUSE TALKS

Liab After War To Prosecution

P. G. Wodehouse, whose broadcast talks from Germany have been severely criticised, may have to face a prosecution at the end of the war.

Sir John Mellor (Cons.) asked the Home Secretary in the House of Commons what arrangements had been made for recording evidence of broadcasts, under enemy auspices, by British subjects with a view to their prosecution as soon as they could be brought to justice.

Mr. Peake, Under-Secretary to the Home Office, said that such broadcasts were recorded. The Home Secretary fully shared the view that all practicable steps should be taken in the collection of evidence which might be relevant to prosecutions in the future against any British subjects who assisted the enemy.

Bribery By Enemy

Col. Arthur Evans (Cons.) asked if the Home Office would consider the advisability of broadcasting an appeal — and a warning — to British subjects resident in enemy countries against any practice that they might be inclined to indulge in as a result of bribery held out by the enemy so that their position would be quite clear when they returned to this country.

Mr. Peake: I will pass that suggestion on to the Ministry of Information, who are concerned with it.

Earl Winterton (Cons.): Can he make it clear by Order in Council that these people will be liable to prosecution, whether they are famous writers or anyone else?

Mr. Peake repeated that he thought the situation was perfectly clear, that anyone assisting the enemy by broadcasting in their programmes was obviously liable to prosecution if sufficient evidence could be brought after the war. It was for the purpose of collecting evidence that these steps were being taken.



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SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING "GOSFORD HANDICAP"

Saturday, 27th September, 1941.

In view of the number of entries received for the above, it has been decided to divide the race into three sections.

The third section will be race No. 11 and run at 6.50 p.m.

A cash sweep, tickets \$1 each, will be held on this race but "All through" numbers will not participate, and tickets can be purchased only at the Race Course during the Meeting.

By Order of the Stewards,

S. A. SLEAP,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 20th Sept., 1941.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 27th SEPTEMBER, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner, as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920.)

No children or amahs will be admitted to either Enclosure.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

S. A. SLEAP,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 22nd Sept., 1941.

BRIDGE NOTES

BRIDGE SWINDLES—NO. 57

By The Four Aces

Some of the most effective swindles in bridge, as in other matters, can be executed simply by allowing the prospective dupe to deceive himself. For example:

South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

NORTH

♠ A J 9 6
♥ A J 9 8
♦ A K Q 7
♣ Q

WEST

♠ K Q 4
♥ 5 3 2
♦ 6 3
♣ 10 9 8 7 3

EAST

♠ 10 8 6
♥ 4
♦ J 10 9 8
♣ J 6 5 4 2

SOUTH

♠ 7 3 2
♥ K Q 10 7 5
♦ 5 4 2
♣ A K

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♠	Pass	6♥	Pass

West knew he would probably make a spade trick sooner or later so opened the ten of clubs, hoping to set up a trick in that suit to be cashed when he got the lead with a spade. South won and immediately drew three rounds of trumps, ending in his own hand.

The play of the clubs and the sight of dummy's diamonds made it perfectly clear to West that the slam could be defeated only if the defence could win two spade tricks. And now let us turn to South's problem.

He could avoid the loss of two spade tricks if the diamonds broke 3-3, for then dummy's last diamond would give him a spade discard. If the diamonds failed to break, he would have to play the spade suit itself to lose only one trick. A finesse of the Jack would succeed only if West held both the King and the Queen, but a finesse of the nine would succeed if West held either King-ten or Queen-ten. The nine, in either case, would force out East's honour; and then a later finesse of the Jack would succeed. This is a standard situation, and the odds are 2 to 1 for the finesse of the nine rather than the finesse of the Jack.

So South, after drawing trumps, immediately led a low spade. West saw that South, if left to his own devices, would probably finesse dummy's nine of spades. So West played his low spade, allowing South to deceive himself. And South did just that: he finessed the nine, losing to East's ten. From there on there was no way he could make his slam contract.

* * *

Saturday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ A Q J 7
♥ K 9
♦ J 10 8 5 4
♣ Q 2

The bidding:

Schenck	Jed	Waller	Jacoby
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♥
1♠	(?)		

ANSWER: Pass. By so doing, you inform your partner that you do not hold substantially more than a minimum opening bid. If he has a good hand, he will have another chance to show it. A penalty double is quite risky.

Score: 100% for pass, 80% for double, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 827

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

Schenck	Jed	Waller	Jacoby
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♥
1♠	Pass	Pass	2♠
Pass	(?)		

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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BRITAIN'S HUMAN DOORMATS

(BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

A new method of crossing one type of barbed wire without cutting it was demonstrated by infantrymen recently. During a practice assault one man in six flung himself bodily at coils of the wire, protecting his face with his helmet.

He then lay on the crushed wire, a human doormat, while his comrades passed over or round him and pressed home a bayonet attack. It was remarkable that this drastic method caused no greater injury than minor scratches and a few torn battle dresses.

The soldiers who gave this display were members of one of the Army's newest formations, a reconnaissance battalion, known colloquially as a "Recky" unit. This battalion, formed only six months ago on a German model, is equipped with Bren carriers and armoured cars.

Its officers and men were recruited from several units, and they still wear their original badges. Soon they will have a distinctive badge of their own.

Tackled Armoured Car

I saw illustrations of the many roles that this battalion will fulfil. These included trapping an armoured car in a narrow lane and destroying it with land-mines, bombarding cross-roads at long range with a 3-in. mortar, and storming an anti-tank gun with infantry, using a smoke-screen.

On Sussex heaths, scout platoons and an infantry platoon showed their skill as modern light cavalry. "Enemy paratroops" began the affair by ambushing one of our fast scouting cars as it went to reconnoitre.

The "paratroops" concealed in scattered posts among the heather, then met a general attack by the Bren carriers, which, widely deployed, advanced under cover of a dense smoke-screen, supposed to have been laid by mortar fire.

SUMMONSES AGAINST EDITOR DISMISSED

Summonses against the editor of "The Aeroplane," Mr. Colston Shepherd, and the Temple Press, Ltd., Bowling Green-lane, E.C., alleging the publication of information which might be directly or indirectly useful to an enemy, were dismissed at Bow Street Police Court under the Probation of Offenders Act.

Sir Robert Duggan said: "The directors may leave the court



Disturb. Dot says the time she spends counting calories should qualify her for a job in accountancy.

FINE CUT 'AS BONUS'

To encourage defendants to attend police courts in minor cases magistrates in West Country towns are offering "reduced fines."

"The normal fine for this offence is £1, but as you attended to-day you will be fined only 15s." is a frequent comment by a chairman.

But workers in war industries, many of whom have been summoned for minor motoring offences, resent the practice.

"It means that we have to waste hours of valuable time, or else pay the maximum fine," a war factory executive, recently fined, told the "Daily Mirror."

If all of those summoned attended court considerable delays would occur. If I had attended I should have held up a whole department. My case was not called until late afternoon, yet I was summoned to appear at 11 a.m.

"Magistrates are unpatriotic in offering a 'bonus for attendance' in the case of warworkers. They are satisfying their own vanity at national expense."

"What useful purpose is served when a fellow who left his car without lights admits he did it and then wastes time in court? Surely a letter of explanation should be accepted without penalisation in such cases?"

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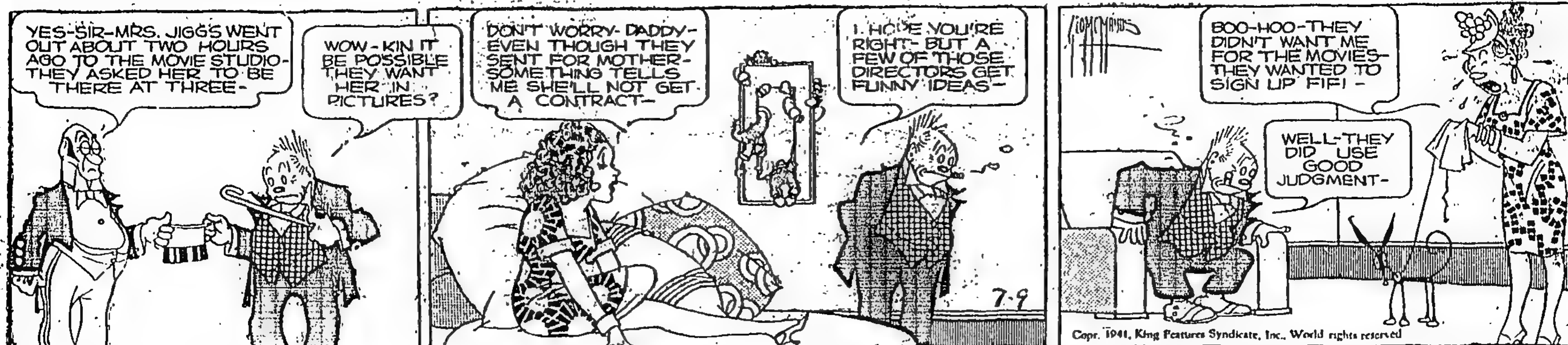
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Bringing Up Father

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A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Notes For September Brides

For a lot of girls the Summer of 1941 was a romantic one, and right now they are planning September or October wedding. Love has made them even more conscious of their beauty and they are adopting a daily routine to step up their native beauty.

In that routine should be at least ten minutes for hand beauty. For aren't those hands play a pretty important role at the wedding? Right now, ten to one, the left hand is the proud possessor of a pretty ring and to the girl who does not make it a fitting background for that token of his adoration.

It is truly miraculous how hands respond to a little care. Roughened, discoloured, or over-tanned skin can be softened and bleached by the daily or nightly application of a specific corrective cream or lotion. Having a lemon handy in the bathroom, or on the kitchen shelf, to rub over the hands after brushing them, does wonders in beautifying the skin.

Using a pair of rubber gloves while working protects the hands and nails from grime and stains. And do not complain that rubber gloves make your hands sweat, for that is good for them. Just rinse them in very cold water when you pull off the gloves and massage them with a lotion or cream.



A brilliant-cut diamond solitaire with wedding band set with small diamond brilliants, are fitting tribute to these hands of rare beauty.

Lily Hands Men Love

Say what you please, most men really like maidenly, soft, white hands, with rosy tips and a faint trace of fragrance about them! And that lily-look is not exclusively for hands of leisure for most brides-to-be of 1941 have work to do, and they do it! Any hands can acquire soft, fair skin, well-groomed nails and a tender touch! Even birth marks and other permanent skin blemishes

may be expertly covered up by a special cream or a darker shade of powder base.

There is also on your cosmetic counter a Hand Masque which does the same work, and is applied in the same way, as a face masque. Using this once every week helps greatly.

Naturally no hands can be lovely to look at, or lovely to touch if the nails are not perfectly groomed. With the implements available to-day, and the lotions

and soaps for disturbed cuticle, there is little excuse for any woman not to have nicely manicured nails. She may polish them with a natural, rosy or vivid hue, as she pleases, or merely buff them, but they should be well shaped and free of hangnails. Many women use that new protective wax.

Women who get places frequently "wash" their hands in a fragrant cologne and allow the air to dry them, just before going out to a gala party. Others put perfume beneath their nail tips with an orange stick after washing them with a heavily perfumed soap. If you want fragrance to linger, spray perfume inside of your gloves—cotton or kid.

This Is Friendship

On my mantelpiece, with the clover-coloured china pig, stands a little rose-patterned cup and saucer. Most people, seeing it, think it is a sentimental relic of a doll's tea set.

It is a relic of something much more important—a friendship.

It began when I was a child of three or four and the other girl a little older. My mother, baby sister Joan and I were staying with the other child's parents, who had what I thought the most beautiful garden I had ever seen with a quaint little chalet of a summer house at the far end.

The other child and I got the idea that "Queen Mab" and her fairy troop lived in this.

We spent days in composing letters to the Queen, "posted" them in the chalet every evening, and raced down each morning to see if they had gone.

They always had, and sometimes there would be an answering letter from Queen Mab, or candles from elfland, and, last of all and most treasured, a little rose-patterned cup and saucer for each of us.

We really did believe these were magic gifts. We kept the little cups and often when we were grown up, we smiled to-gather over them.

The other girl died a few days ago. And afterwards, I noticed her little china cup, still in its usual place.

I came home and looked at my own cup and thought: "That love-

ly bit of the past is finished now." I felt suddenly lonely.

Thinking it over, I realised that all true friendship is based on shared experiences.

You know a person who is fun to do things with... to go to a show with. But you aren't quite friends.

And then, without either of you realising what is happening, the show turns out to hold some message for the two of you; the job blossoms out with possibilities that you never knew it held.

And, because these things have suddenly become important to both of you, because you have shared something that matters, you are no longer acquaintances... you are friends—for good.

Sad experiences can bind friends together, as well as happy ones.

I didn't set out to find a moral... but there is a moral in all this for lonely folk. It is—live life fully, keep the windows of your soul open to the breezes of experience.

You will find much happiness. You will probably find sorrows, since these too, are part of life. But you will certainly find friends, in the people who share the exciting things, the lovely moments, the moments of courage and humour and beauty with you.

And that is going to be the message of my little rose-patterned cup.

Sunday School's Just A Joke!

Many parents think this when they look back and remember the days when they sat on hard wooden forms and learnt texts off by heart or listened to the teachers droning out parables which they didn't understand.

They can't recall any real good they going to Sunday School did then, but some think, oh, we'll send Johnny and Mary as soon as they are old enough so that we can get a peaceful hour or so on Sunday afternoons.

Other parents grumble that their children don't learn anything worth while. They've forgotten what Christianity is and they forget, too, that most Sunday School teachers serve without pay, and give up a great deal of time—even though they're busy people—to preparing lessons and ideas.

Then, on a day when they could be doing something for themselves, they cheerfully set off to spend some hours in the morning or afternoon trying to interest and amuse a lot of unruly children, whose parents maybe haven't even taught them obedience or courtesy.

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By ED REED



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less you are a very exceptional parent, religious teaching in the home exists only in a very minor way.

Knowing this, you ought to send your child to Sunday School. But it is not fair to send him or her with the idea that it's all a game and good behaviour doesn't matter.

That's just a way of passing on to a stranger your responsibility of teaching your child good manners.

Send your children to Sunday School with the knowledge that they are going to hear something worth knowing, and the lessons they learn will stand them in good stead all their lives.

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burg-Levinson).

In Cherry Blossom Lane (Burke).

Eddie Carroll and His Casani

Club Orchestra.

Fox-Trot Medley—Intro: I'm Step-

ping Out With A Memory To-

night; All The Things You

Are; Until You Fall In Love.

Waltz Medley—Intro: The Rose of

Tralee; All Alone; By The

Sleepy Lagoon.

Eddie Carroll.

Night Ride (arr. Phillips).

Eddie Carroll and His Swing-

phonic Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Pro-

gramme Summary.

1.02 p.m.—Alexander Kipnis (Bass)

Singing Two Schubert Songs.

Hedge Rose (Op. 3 No. 3); Impa-

tience (Op. 25 No. 7).

1.07 p.m.—Schubert—Moment Musi-

caux.

Ethel Leginske (Pianoforte solo).

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press and

Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Elsie Randolph and Jack

Buchanan in Variety.

Vocal—"Brewster's Millions" (No-

ble and Fuber).

Jack Buchanan and Gerald and

His Orchestra.

Organ—In A Clock Store (Orth).

Terence Casey.

Vocal Duet—Now That I've Found

You.

Fancy Our Meeting (Both from

the film "That's A Good Girl")

Elsie Randolph and Jack Buch-

anan with Orch.

Orchestra—The Parade of The

Tin Soldiers (Jesse).

Prosperity Medley—Intro: Great

Day; There's A Big Day Com-

ing; Hallelujah.

Philip Green and His Orchestra.

Vocal—Let's Put Some People To

Work (From "When Knights

Were Bold"—Sigler-Hoffman).

Jack Buchanan with Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quota-

tions.

6.47 p.m.—Anton and The Paramount

Theatre Orchestra and Les Allen.

Bell Medley—Intro: Bells Across

The Meadow (Ketelbey); More

acrobatic Bells (Wely); Voice of

The Bells (Thurman); Fire Bell

(Kempinski); Legend Of The

Bells (Planquette); The Bells

Of St. Mary's (Adams).

Anton and The Paramount Thea-

tre Orchestra.

Ride Tenderfoot Ride (From film

"Romance and Rhythm").

Les Allen (Vocal) with Novelty

acrobats.

"Ranlo On Me Kew"—Selection.

"Champagne Waltz".

Anton and The Paramount Thea-

tre Orchestra.

When Old Friends Meet Again

(Tobias and Putter).

Don't Kiss Me Goodnight (David

and Mayer).

Les Allen with Orchestra.

Ray Noble Medley—

Intro: Brighter Than The Sun;

If You'll Say "Yes" Charlie;

Love Is The Sweetest Thing;

By The Fireside; What More

Can I Ask; Why Stars Come

Out At Night; The Very

Thought Of You; Good-night

sweetheart.

Anton and The Paramount

Theatre Orchestra.

7.17 p.m.—Billy Thornburn at the

Piano.

Fox-Trot Medley—Intro: Little Old

Lady; Please Remember So

Many Memories.

Waltz Medley—Intro: Giannina Mia;

Don't Forget The Old Folks At

Home; When I Heard The Or-

gan Play.

Quick Step Medley—

Intro: If I Didn't Care; A New

Moon And An Old Serenade;

The Pretty Little Quaker

Girl; Summer Sweetheart;

THE CHINA MAIL, SEPTEMBER 22, 1941.

GIRLS TOLD TO GIVE JOBS TO ELDERS

GIRLS NOT doing war jobs must give up their
present jobs to the older women and go into war
work or the Services.

The demand was made by Sir Frank Tribe,
Deputy-Secretary of the Ministry of Labour.

He said the demand for wo-
men in war industries and the
women's services was great and
the number of volunteers was
small.

"Women," he said, "are not
too old at 40. They might not be
too old for some jobs at 60."

For instance, a young woman
of 20, who might be working in
a boot and shoes shop, should be
prepared to undertake more vital
work, leaving her place to be

taken by an older woman unable
to leave her home district.

Compulsion in sending young
women into war work, or Ser-
vices, had not yet been exercised
to any great extent.

Time was given to those who
registered to choose where they
preferred to go, but those who
did not make the choice in a
reasonable time would not be
lost sight of.

Homes Hit Work

Thousands of married women
thrown out of work by the clos-
ing of Lancashire cotton mills un-
der the Government concentration
of industry scheme, have gone
back home instead of into war
industries as planned.

They are refusing to "sign
on" at the Labour Exchanges on
learning that they are required
to work away from home.
"Labour is thus being dissipated
instead of utilised to the full,"
says the quarterly report of the
Card, Blowing and Ring Room
Operatives a Lancashire trade
union.

BOMB CRAWL HERO

A German plane,
laden with bombs, crash-
ed on to two houses and
buried the residents. A
man made a hole in the
rubble, crawled through,
and found some bombs
in the debris and others
on the rack of the plane.

Ignoring the danger he remov-
ed the live bombs and dug until
he reached one of the buried
persons.

He stayed in the hole and
worked until overcome by
fumes after two hours.

The man, William Harold Will-
son, 34 of Bromley, Kent has been
awarded the George Medal.

"There were thirty-four
bombs in all, and we laid them
in the gutter."

"Shrapnel was falling all
around us and another Jerry
dropped five bombs seventy yards
away, but we were too intent on
our work to bother."

Another George Medal goes to
James Armstrong, 16, of Bootle,
Lancs.

Blown Off Bicycle

Regardless of falling bombs
and raging fires, Armstrong has
delivered messages although
not in robust health.

Once he was blown by blast
from his bicycle.

When incendiary bombs started
a fire, Armstrong got a length of
hose and a ladder, and from a
dangerous position played the hose
on to the fire.

Seven women are among those
honoured in a list which includes
six M.B.E.s, ten George Medals,
thirty-seven British Empire
Medals and thirty-nine com-
mendations.

Mrs. Margaret Rowena Jones,
25, warden-known as "Sun-
shine"—to her A.R.P. colleagues
—wins the B.E.M. for heroism
in a series of Mersey-side blitzes.
Her husband is Corporal Eric
Jones 27, of the R.A.S.C. She is
recovering at St. Albans.

But Mrs. C. A. Jones, Eric's
mother, told the "Daily Mirror":
"During one series of blitzes
Margaret had no proper sleep for
a week, went to work as usual,
and kept smiling."

"Her friends told me she
bandaged over forty casualties
one night."

"She and Eric were married in
April. He went abroad two days
after the honeymoon."

Wishing: My First Goodnight

7.30 p.m.—Dance Music from the Films.

Fox-Trots—A Little White Gardenia

(From "All The King's

Horses").

Be Careful, Young Lady (From "All

The King's Horses).

Art Kassel and His Kassel-In-

The-Art.

Rumba Fox-Trot—Serenade

Fox-Trot—It Happened In The

Moonlight (Both from "Gay

Deceivers").

Jack Jackson and His Orchestra

Fox-Trots—I've Got My Eyes On

You.

I Concentrate On You (From

"Broadway Melody of 1940")

Les Brown and His Orchestra

Quick-Step—I'm Nobody's Baby

(From "Andy Hardy Meets

Debutante").

Oscar Rabin and His Band.

Waltz—Down The Gypsy Trail

(From the Samuel Cummins

production "Ecstasy").

Swing and Sway with Sammy

Kaye.

Fox-Trot—The Reluctant Dragon

(From The Walt Disney Pro-

duction "The Reluctant Dra-

gon").

Swing and Sway with Sammy

Kaye.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Com-

mentary.

8.25 p.m.—London Relay—"Listening

Post."

Examination of Points in Daily

German Propaganda.

8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.

8.32 p.m.—De Groot and His Orchestra

with Grace Moore (Soprano).

Der Kaspeer (De Groot).

De Groot and His Orchestra.

Selection of Chopin Melodies—

Intro: Polonaise in A; Prelude in

A; Waltz in D Flat.

De Groot (Violin), David Bor

(Piano) and Reginald Kil-

bey (Cello).

The Dubarry.

I Give My Heart (From Operetta

"The Dubarry"—Leigh).

Grace Moore with Orchestra.

Waldteufel Memories (arr. Flack).

De Groot and His Orch.

Our Song (From film "When You're

In Love"—Kern-Fields).

Grace Moore with Orchestra.

When The Great Red Dawn Is

Shining (Sharpe).

Zinetta (Geehl).

De Groot and His Orchestra.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and An-

nouncements.

8.02 p.m.—This week's programmes.

8.05 p.m.—Light Opera Selections.

A Country Girl—Selection (Lionel

Monckton).

London Theatre Orchestra.

"The Celshu"—Vocal Gems.

Light Opera Company with Orch.

The Gypsy Princess—Selection

(Kaiman).

De Groot and The New Victoria

Orchestra.

9.30 p.m.—An Orchestral Programme.

Serenade—Valse Espagnole (Mctra).

De Picpus Au Palais D'Angkor

(Marceau).

Orchestra. Rugby Goldstein.

Neapolitan Nights (Zamecnik).

The Midnight Waltz (Amodio).

London Novelty Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on

Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—Popular Ballads.

The Organ Blower (McGill-Barker).

Until (Teschemanner-Sanderson).

Dennis Noble (Vocal) with

Piano.

Sweet And Low (Barney, arr. For-

wood).

Eddie Ackland (Contralto) with

Piano.

Love Sends A Little Gift Of Roses

(Openshaw).

Alfred Piccaver (Tenor) with

Piano.

10.00 p.m.—London—The News and

News Commentary.

10.15 p.m.—Some Brahms Songs.

Sappho Ode.

The May Night.

Maria Olszewska (Contralto) with

Piano.

When I Come With You.

Alexander Kipnis (Bass) with

Gerald Moore (Piano).

10.27 p.m.—Brahms—Double Concerto

in A Minor.

HOME SOCCER RESULTS

Following are the results of football matches played at Home on Saturday:

LONDON LEAGUE

Arsenal 4, Tottenham 0; Brighton 2, Brentford 2; Charlton 5, Watford 1; Chelsea 4, Aldershot 0; Millwall 1, Portsmouth 3; Queen's P. R. 2, Fulham 5; Reading 6, Crystal P. 2; West Ham 3, Clapton 0.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE SOUTH

Bristol 2, Bournemouth 1; Leicester 3, West Brom 2; Luton 1, Norwich 4; Northampton 4, Notts. F. 3; Walsall 4, Swans 2.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE NORTH

Barnsley 1, Lincoln 2; Bradford 2, Sunderland 2; Burny 0, Blackburn 4; Chester 2, Everton 0; Chesterfield 3, Doncaster 1; Halifax 2, Bolton 0; Leeds 5, Gateshead 1; Liverpool 4, Manchester C. 2; Manchester U. 7, Stockport 1; Middlesbrough 3, York 2; Newcastle 3, Huddersfield 1; Preston 7, Oldham 0; Rochdale 1, Burnley 1; Rotherham 3, Bradford C. 1; Wednesday 0, Grimsby 2; Southport 1, Blackpool 5; Stoke 5, Wrexham 2; Tranmere 1, New Brighton 1; Mansfield 2, Sheffield U. 3.

OTHER MATCHES

Scottish XI 1, British Army 2 (at Dundee); Wolves 2, Birmingham 4.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE SOUTH

Aberdeen 3, St. Mirren 0; Clyde 2, Arbroath 2; Dundee 2, Partick 7; Hamilton 3, Celtic 3; Hearts 2, Motherwell 1; Morton 3, Third Lanark 2; Queen's Park 1, Thirburn 2; Rangers 5, Falkirk 2.

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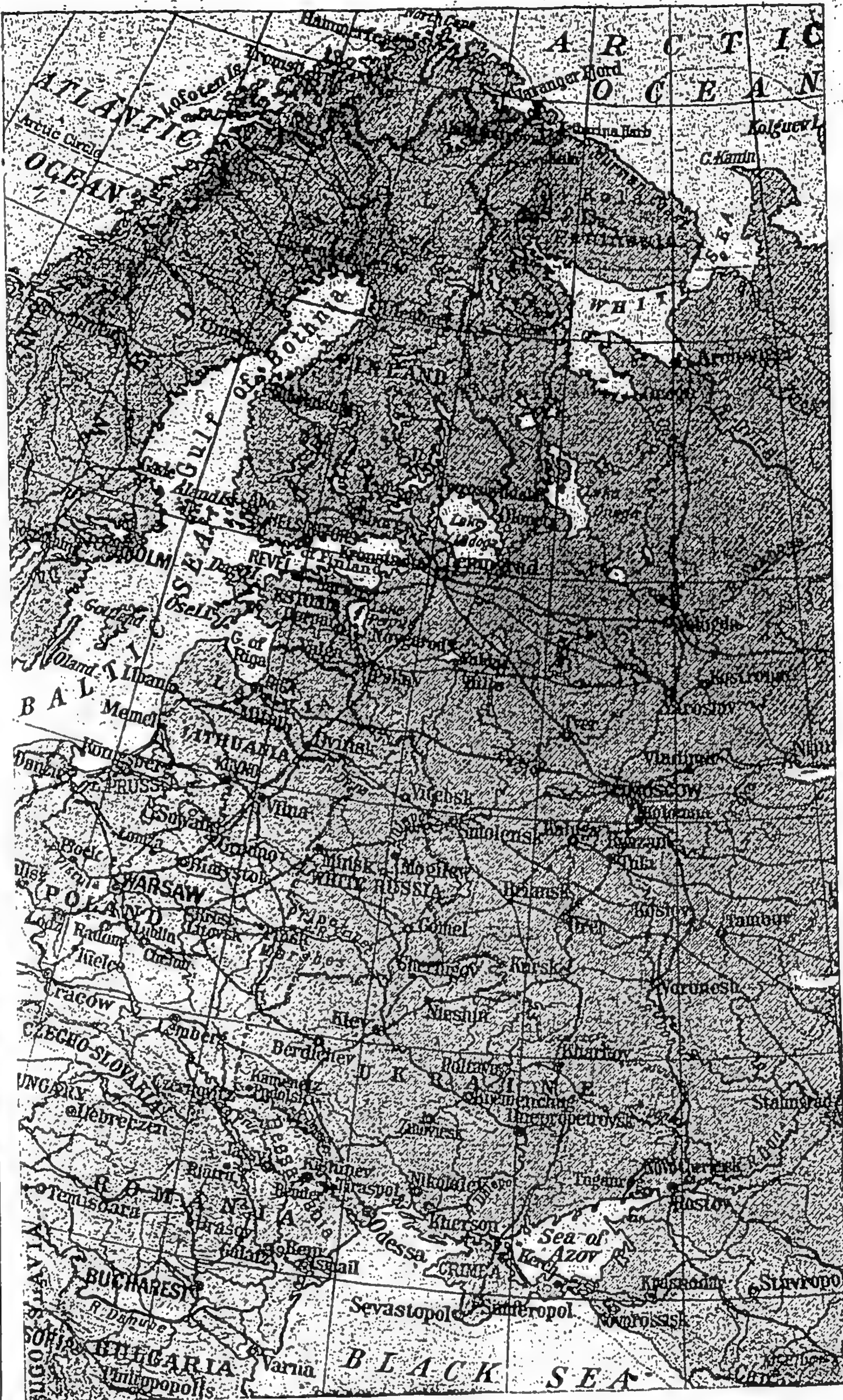
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PRINCESS DANCE ACT

Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret did a double-act tap dance in a concert which they organised with the King and Queen, and the Duchess of Kent in the audience to raise funds for their knitting party.

Princess Elizabeth was the producer. Soldiers took part, painted the scenery and provided a jazz band.

The Princesses sang duets in French, and besides the double tap dance, led the audience in community singing.

Princess Margaret got terrific applause for an Irish jig and her sister scored a hit with a solo dance.

During sixteen months, the Princesses' parties have knitted thousands of socks, pullovers and mittens for the Services.

SOFTBALL RESULTS

Canadian Chinese girls beat Cardinals in a friendly softball game yesterday at Kowloon Football Club by 12 runs to 8. Miss D. Brown, of Cardinals, registered the biggest hit, a three-bagger which brought in two runs.

In the men's game, Merry Madcaps beat Mohawks by 4 runs to 3 after an extra inning.

"USE ONIONS LIKE PERFUME"

THE PREDICTION THAT HOUSEWIVES WILL SOON HAVE TO REGISTER WITH THEIR GREENGROCCERS FOR ORANGES AND ONIONS WAS MADE BY MR. C. ESCOTT, AREA DISTRIBUTING OFFICER FOR ONIONS AND CARROTS. AT A MASS MEETING OF RETAILERS TRADING ON SMITHFIELD MARKET, MANCHESTER.

Pointing out that this year we must rely on the home-grown crop, which would fall far below the normal imports, he said the public must be persuaded to use onions like a perfume not as a food.

If people in the North persisted in looking on onions as food instead, like the South, as a flavouring there would be just enough for one square meal, he said.

AFFAIRS OF EX-RECEIVER

A notice of bankruptcy concerning Captain Victor Robert Fletcher, formerly Official Receiver for Brighton, appeared in the London Gazette recently.

Captain Fletcher, who is 53, lives at Bath Road, Worthing. He was Official Receiver for Brighton for eight years till he resigned last year. He was admitted a solicitor in 1910, and joined the Solicitors' Department of the Board of Trade four years later.

LEASE AND LEND FOR PARAGUAY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, has signed an agreement with Paraguay providing the extension of an undisclosed amount of Lease and Lend aid.—International News Service.

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	P.	W.	T.	L.	F.	A.	Up	Dn	Pts.
U. M. Omar (C.C.C.)	18	18	0	0	468	266	192	0	36
B. W. Bradbury (C.C.C.)	17	14	1	2	429	289	140	0	29
J. Shepherd (P.R.C.)	17	12	1	4	369	308	61	0	26
C. S. Rosset (C.C.C.)	16	12	0	4	397	264	143	0	24
M. R. Abbas (I.R.C.)	18	12	0	6	387	327	60	0	24
A. M. Holland (K.B.G.C. "A")	17	11	1	5	381	274	107	0	23
A. J. Hall (K.B.G.C. "A")	17	11	0	6	350	298	52	0	22
A. K. Minu (I.R.C.)	18	9	1	8	374	304	70	0	19
M. N. Rakusen (C.B.C.C.)	17	9	0	8	330	345	0	15	18
R. Duncan (K.B.G.C. "B")	14	8	1	5	307	275	32	0	17
R. F. Luz (Rec. "A")	13	8	0	5	289	232	57	0	16
A. R. Dallah (I.R.C.)	16	8	0	8	326	337	0	11	16
H. A. Alves (Recreio "A")	8	7	0	1	211	122	89	0	14
A. M. Calman (K.D.R.C.)	10	7	0	3	212	189	23	0	14
F. X. Silva (Rec. "A")	11	6	2	3	224	202	22	0	14
T. A. Madar (K.C.C.)	16	7	0	9	297	333	0	36	14
J. F. V. Ribeiro (Recreio "A")	6	6	0	0	159	86	73	0	12
C. G. Silva (Rec. "A")	10	6	0	4	204	187	17	0	12
J. McKelvie (K.B.G.C. "B")	12	6	0	6	229	208	21	0	12
A. P. Guterres (Rec. "B")	12	6	0	6	231	232	0	1	12
E. C. Fincher (K.C.C.)	16	5	0	11	263	362	0	99	10
C. Roza-Pereira (Recreio "A")	4	4	0	0	90	87	33	0	8
N. J. Bebbington (K.C.C.)	9	3	2	4	167	180	0	13	8
W. Mair (P.R.C.)	10	4	0	6	184	198	0	14	8
J. C. S. Fender (P.R.C.)	11	3	2	6	204	232	0	28	8
M. Ferguson (K.D.R.C.)	12	4	0	8	215	249	0	34	8
J. J. Basto (Rec. "B")	16	4	0	12	271	340	0	69	8
W. Hollands (P.F.C.)	4	3	0	1	101	67	34	0	6
R. Morrison (K.D.R.C.)	6	3	0	3	110	104	6	0	6
F. Cullen (K.D.R.C.)	10	2	2	6	170	236	0	66	6
J. G. Meyer (K.B.G.C. "B")	12	3	0	9	196	290	0	94	6
J. F. McGowan (C.S.C.C.)	13	2	1	10	221	289	0	68	5
D. M. Khan (I.R.C.)	2	2	0	0	55	24	31	0	4
J. S. Landolt (C.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	59	60	0	1	4
P. A. Peckham (K.B.G.C. "B")	4	2	0	2	67	70	0	3	4
J. Kempton (K.D.R.C.)	4	2	0	2	73	84	0	11	4
J. Fraser (K.C.C.)	7	1	2	4	109	140	0	31	4
L. Guy (K.B.G.C. "B")	9	2	0	7	145	209	0	64	4
C. Strange (C.S.C.C.)	5	1	1	3	92	104	0	12	3
C. A. Lopes (Recreio)	1	1	0	0	32	9	23	0	2
F. V. Ribeiro (Recreio "A")	1	1	0	0	27	12	15	0	2
F. Nolan (P.R.C.)	1	1	0	0	26	20	6	0	2
A. M. Rodrigues (Recreio "B")	1	1	0	0	20	19	1	0	2
J. E. Noronha (Recreio "B")	2	1	0	1	34	31	3	0	2
L. J. Silva (Recreio "B")	2	1	0	1	21	40	0	19	2
W. J. Burling (C.S.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	55	73	0	18	2
W. Greig (K.D.R.C.)	3	1	0	2	46	81	0	35	2
J. W. Deakin (C.S.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	40	76	0	36	2
B. Basto (Rec. "B")	4	1	0	3	62	92	0	30	2
H. Lockhart (K.B.G.C. "B")	5	1	0	4	84	108	0	24	2
L. Sykes (K.B.G.C. "B")	6	1	0	5	101	136	0	35	2
T. Coleman (K.D.R.C.)	6	1	0	5	73	180	0	107	2
E. G. Post (P.R.C.)	8	1	0	7	139	177	0	38	2
C. C. Pereira (Recreio "B")	2	0	1	1	31	38	0	7	1
J. C. Gill (K.B.G.C. "B")	1	0	0	1	14	23	0	9	0
W. McNeill (K.B.G.C. "B")	1	0	0	1	11	29	0	18	0
J. C. Remedios (Recreio "B")	1	0	0	1	5	41	0	36	0
C. M. Silva (Recreio "B")	2	0	0	2	35	47	0	12	0
H. Strange (C.S.C.C.)	2	0	0	2	22	50	0	28	0
A. M. Rodrigues (Recreio "B")	3	0	0	3	42	72	0	30	0
W. R. Hillier (C.S.C.C.)	4	0	0	4	60	90	0	30	0
G. S. Sherriff (K.B.G.C. "A")	4	0	0	4	64	95	0	31	0
E. W. Simmonds (C.S.C.C.)	4	0	0	4	57	111	0	54	0
E. Souza (Recreio "B")	6	0	0	6	93	137	0	44	0

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	T.	L.	F.	A.	Up	Dn	Pts.
P. Younghusband (K.F.C.)	14	12	0	2	325	209	116	0	24
J. L. Stephens (K. Tong)	15	10	1	4	348	248	100	0	21
W. V. Field (K.F.C.)	12	10	0	2	298	191	107	0	20
A. J. Kew (K. Tong)	15	10	0	5	338	256	82	0	20
T. L. Lock (C.C.C.)	12	8	1	3	264	207	57	0	17
W. Melrose (T.C.)	12	8	0	4	256	224	32	0	16
W. J. Bagley (P.O.C.)	13	8	0	5	189	165	24	0	16
W. MacFarlane (H.K.F.C.)	15	7	1	7	285	285	0	15	15
W. Gill (H.K.F.C.)	13	7	0	6	244	241	3	0	14
C. Gowland (P.O.C.)	14	7	0	7	201	244	57	0	14
A. W. Brown (H.K.C.C.)	14	6	2	6	262	287	0	25	14
G. E. Costello (H.K.C.C.)	15	7	0	8	280	328	0	48	14
E. Kern (K.F.C.)	9	6	0	3	187	176	11	0	12
J. C. Chalmers (T.C.)	11	6	0	5	228	205	23	0	12
H. W. Randall (C.C.C.)	7	5	0	2	144	114	30	0	10
K. S. Robertson (H.K.F.C.)	9	5	0	4	194	162	42	0	10
A. Spary (K.T.G.C.A.)	10	5	0	5	192	183	9	0	10
J. McCutcheon (P.O.C.)	10	5	0	5	275	300	0	25	10
F. Goodwin (H.K.C.C.)	14	5	0	9	270	298	0	28	10
O. P. Remedios (Recreio)	8	4	1	3	138	157	0	19	9
C. C. Pereira (Recreio)	8	4	0	4	174	153	21	0	8
W. K. Way (C.C.C.)	9	4	0	5	167	188	0	21	8
R. S. Meadows (K.C.C.)	11	4	0	7	207	250	0	43	8
J. M. Jack (K.C.C.)	7	3	0	4	141	136	5	0	6
W. J. Howard (K. Tong)	5	2	1	2	116	87	29	0	6
A. Steven (K.C.C.)	8	2	1	5	134	191	0	57	5
J. A. Watson (T.C.)	12	2	1	9	172	284	0	112	5
W. Ward (C.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	54	37	17	0	4
N. P. Karganlia (C.C.C.)	4	2	0	2	85	69	16	0	4
W. W. Parsons (K.C.C.)	4	2	0	2	71	81	0	10	4
A. Jillett (P.O.C.)	4	2	0	2	69	94	0	25	4
W. Simpson (K.F.C.)	6	2	0	4	95	99	0	4	4
J. A. Remedios (Recreio)	6	2	0	4	108	117	0	4	4
T. W. Carr (K.C.C.)	10	2	0	8	153	238	0	85	4
M. J. Medina (C.C.C.)	5	1	1	3	88	113	0	25	3
A. J. Coelho (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	30	15	15	0	2
E. S. Franks (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	19	14	5	0	2
L. A. R. Duncan (H.K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	21	19	2	0	2
T. M. Pile (P.O.C.)	1	1	0	0	18	17	1	0	2
T. Ferguson (K.F.C.)	2	1	0	1	41	33	8	0	2
V. Chittenden (K.F.C.)	2	1	0	1	34	45	0	11	2
A. P. Pereira (Recreio)	3	1	0	2	31	63	18	0	2
A. Brookbank (H.K.F.C.)	4	1	0	3	70	98	0	28	2
M. A. Carvalho (Recreio)	5	1	0	4	66	117	0	31	2
J. R. Soares (Recreio)	8	1	0	7	137	221	0	84	2
T. F. Stalton (T.C.)	1	0	0	1	21	25	0	4	0
E. Curtis (K.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	14	10	0	5	0
R. R. Davies (H.K.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	15	24	0	9	0
W. Hyde (K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	17	28	0	11	0
J. A. R. Solby (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	10	23	0	13	0
L. Gaddi (C.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	16	32	0	15	0
M. F. Alarcon (Recreio)	1	0	0	1	15	30	0	15	0
H. V. Pearce (H.K.F.C.)	3	0	0	3	38	58	0	19	0
L. Jack (K.C.C.)	4	0	0	4	65	113	0	48	0

G\$41,411 IN STAKES

The American wonder horse, Whirlaway, favourite at 10 to 1 on, won the 49th "Lawrence Realisation Stakes" over a mile and five-eighths at Belmont Park, New York, on Saturday, thus becoming the third in the list of all-time money winners with only Sea Biscuit and Sun Beau ahead. Whirlaway won by 10 lengths, and up to the present this horse has won U.S. \$41,411 in stakes.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S AQUATICS

The Hong Kong Chinese Swimming championships will be concluded to-day at Victoria Recreation Club, commencing at 7.30 p.m., when the main attraction will be the Men's 50 Metres free-style, in which both Tsui Hang and Ng Nin will be seen in action.

The 400 Metres free-style event should also provide thrills as Chan Chun-nam, Yau Sai-kwan and Lau Tai-ping, of Lai Tsun, will be participating.

Following is the programme:—
Men's 400 Yards free-style Relay.
Ladies' 200 Metres breast-stroke.
Men's 100 Metres back-stroke.
Ladies' 50 Metres free-style.
Men's 50 Metres free-style.
Men's 400 Metres free-style.
Ladies' 400 Metres free-style.
Water-Polo.

THIRD DIVISION

	P.	W.	T.	L.	F.	A.	Up	Dn	Pts.
J. C. Aitken (P.R.C.)	15	12	1	2	381	231	150	0	25
R. Ogden (K.F.C.)	15	12	0	3	342	250	92	0	24
J. MacDonald (P.R.C.)	15	9	1	5	310	238	72	0	19
J. Nish (K.B.G.C.)	16	9	1	6	342	292	50	0	19
S. M. Rumlann (I.R.C.)	16	9	1	6	336	275	41	0	19
C. Wauke (K.B.G.C.)	13	9	0	4	290	210	80	0	18
A. M. Wahab (I.R.C.)	14	9	0	5	286	248	38	0	18
A. E. Carey (P.R.C.)	12	7	0	5	296	227	69	0	14
A. D. Madar (I.R.C.)	11	6	1	4	217	185	32	0	13
A. J. Coelho (C.C.C.)	13	6	0	7	232	245	0	13	12
G. S. Gray (H.K.F.C.)	13	6	1	6	281	274	0	13	11
A. G. Gardner (H.K.F.C.)	7	5	0	2	141	115	26	0	10
K. C. Hamilton (K.B.G.C.)	8	5	0	3	169	149	20	0	10
L. A. Jordan (K.B.G.C.)	8	5	0	3	167	154	13	0	10
J. Raisto (H.K.F.C.)	8	5	0	3	159	161	0	2	10
N. P. Karanjia (C.C.C.)	9	6	0	4	187	178	9	0	10
B. A. Mansell (H.K.F.C.)	13	5	0	8	245	251	0	6	10
P. A. Yvanovich (Recreio)	15	6	0	9	261	338	0	77	10
J. F. Luny (H.K.F.C.)	12	4	1	7	191	257	0	66	9
M. F. Alarcon (Recreio)	7	4	0	3	135	143	0	8	8
L. de Rome (H.K.F.C.)	8	4	0	4	157	160	0	3	8
E. S. Abraham (H.K.C.C.)	11	4	0	7	193	223	0	80	8
A. G. Sufflad (I.R.C.)	4	3	0	1	88	65	23	0	6
P. J. Medina (C.C.C.)	4	3	0	1	83	83	0	0	6
M. S. Cassidy (H.K.C.C.)	5	3	0	2	94	86	8	0	6
D. A. Rozario (C.C.C.)	5	3	0	2	98	93	5	0	6
B. Evans (K.F.C.)	5	3	0	2	86	99	0	13	6
J. T. Smalley (K.F.C.)	6	3	0	3	130	123	7	0	6
C. Downman (K.F.C.)	7	3	0	4	140	159	0	19	6
M. A. Carvalho (Recreio)	8	3	0	5	138	143	0	7	6
A. McKellar (H.K.C.C.)	11	3	0	8	174	250	0	76	6
C. F. Needham (H.K.F.C.)	2	2	0	0	60	30	20	0	4
L. Gaddi (C.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	75	62	13	0	4
G. S. Ladd (C.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	62	54	8	0	4
M. Mendonca (Recreio)	3	2	0	1	59	54	5	0	4
J. Russell (H.K.F.C.)	4	2	0	2	64	90	0	26	4
A. Nisajim (H.K.C.C.)	5	2	0	3	95	120	0	25	4
P. J. A. Hamilton (H.K.C.C.)	6	2	0	4	122	119	3	0	4
T. Fergusson (K.F.C.)	7	2	0	5	121	138	0	17	4
M. F. Pinna (Recreio)	8	2	0	6	140	188	0	48	4
J. K. Sloan (H.K.F.C.)	9	2	0	7	163	218	0	55	4
H. M. Xavier (Recreio)	1	1	0	0	31	11	20	0	2
C. W. Lam (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	28	12	14	0	2
A. P. Pereira (Recreio)	1	1	0	0	29	18	11	0	2
W. A. Cornell (H.K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	20	15	5	0	2
J. B. Gilroy (H.K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	19	15	4	0	2
B. J. Lacom (H.K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	20	16	4	0	2
G. C. Pereira (Recreio)	1	1	0	0	27	25	2	0	2
E. S. Franks (C.C.C.)	2	1	0	1	40	33	7	0	2
L. E. Lammett (C.C.C.)	2	1	0	1	35	32	3	0	2
M. R. Pinna (Recreio)	2	1	0	1	38	42	0	6	2
F. Channing (P.R.C.)	3	1	0	2	57	58	0	1	2
T. C. Monaghan (H.K.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	52	53	0	1	2
P. C. Morgan (H.K.F.C.)	3	1	0	2	55	64	0	9	2
H. W. Raddall (C.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	44	65	0	21	2
S. H. Strange (H.K.F.C.)	3	1	0	2	51	78	0	27	2
R. C. Butler (H.K.F.C.)	4	1	0	3	66	80	0	14	2
A. F. Paul (H.K.F.C.)	7	1	0	6	92	174	0	82	2
A. H. Madar (I.R.C.)	2	0	1	1	34	33	0	5	1
H. F. Shields (H.K.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	17	18	0	1	0
Y. Abbas (K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	14	18	0	4	0
E. A. Atkin (K.B.G.C.)	1	0	0	1	16	21	0	5	0
C. E. Gahagan (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	15	20	0	5	0
W. Naef (K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	15	22	0	7	0
F. K. Madi (C.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	18	29	0	11	0
M. Gutierrez (Recreio)	1	0	0	1	15	28	0	13	0
U. A. Rumlann (I.R.C.)	1	0	0	1	13	27	0	14	0
R. A. Edwards (H.K.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	18	29	0	16	0
A. F. Noronha (Recreio)	1	0	0	1	8	31	0	23	0
C. H. Fuller (K.F.C.)	2	0	0	2	32	38	0	6	0
G. E. F. Thompson (K.B.G.C.)	2	0	0	2	27	38	0	11	0
A. B. Mitchell (H.K.C.C.)	2	0	0	2	24	45	0	21	0
J. Paul (C.C.C.)	2	0	0	2	34	56	0	22	0
G. Stephens (H.K.F.C.)	2	0	0	2	30	55	0	25	0

BOWLS CUP GAMES

Second Round matches in the Goscombe-O'Sullivan Cup Lawn Bowls Competition were decided yesterday at Police Recreation Club, the closest match being that between Medical "C" and Small Units, which the former won by 18-17.

A. Brooksbank's P.W.D. "E" rink defeated H. E. Strange's C.S.O. four by the large margin of 35 shots to 12.

Results of the matches were:
Police "A" P.O.C.
W. McLeod W. Webber
C. Pile R. G. Robertson
E. G. Post G. V. McGrath
J.C.S. Fendley 28 S. Marvin 17
Medical "C" Small Units
P. Shaw J. R. Carr
E. Strange H. MacKay
S. Eccleshall W. Smith
H.L. Lockhart 18 W. Ward 17
C.S.O. P.W.D. "D"
A. K. Safflad R. P. Shaw
N. L. Smith C. B. Robertson
B. I. Hickford K. S. Robertson
H. E. Strange 35 A. Brooksbank 12
Police "F" Medical "A"
L. Pennell P. Anslow
J. Headridge I. Newton
C. Dowman J. A. R. Selby
W. MacHardy 17 F. McGowan 23

OPEN SINGLES ENCOUNTER

At Civil Service Cricket Club yesterday, H. E. Strange defeated E. Kirmon 22-15 at the 17th head in the First Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Singles Championship.

Kirmon opened with a "possible," but Strange then had 3 2 0 1 2 2 0 1 3 to lead 14-8 at the 10th, but two 3's by Kirmon saw him trailing only 14-18 at the 14th. Strange then scored two 2's and, conceding a single, won by 22-15 after scoring at 11 ends, the scores being:

KIRMON 4 0 0 2 0 0 0 2 0 0 3 0 0 3
0 1 0 = 15
STRANGE 0 3 2 0 1 2 2 0 1 3 0 1 3 0
2 0 2 = 22

S. M. Runjahn of Indian Recreation Club, who had a six in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday, had one in his previous game. He had previously had one, in his second game of the season.

Prior to Saturday A. W. Brown of Hong Kong Cricket Club had not had a six in the Lawn Bowls League. On Saturday he had two and beat P. Younghusband, Second Division champion skip, by 4 shots, to stop a sequence of nine wins in a row. C. C. Pereira of Recreo is the only other skip to have beaten Younghusband.

CRICKETERS BEAT BASEBALLERS

Royal Engineers entertained a team from U.S.S. Mindanao in a friendly cricket match at Sookun-poo yesterday, the former winning by two wickets on the first innings, after which the teams went in again for 30 minutes each. Scores were:

Mindanao: — 47 and 30.
Sappers: — 51 and 39 for 8 wkts.



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Saturday's Sport Review

THE football season started more or less in real earnest on Saturday when the final batch of friendlies were played prior to the League opening this week-end. Chief attraction was the charity match between the Combined Eastern-Sing Tao team which toured Australia and a team drawn from United Services, V. K. Hyul and Fung King-cheung each scoring twice and C. T. Tsao once to give the Chinese a 5-0 win.

The rest of the matches resulted as follows:—Senior: Kowloon 7, Navy 3; Police 3, Kwong Wah 2; Club 0, Middlesex 3. Junior: Kowloon 3, Navy 3; Police 2, Kwong Wah, 2; Club 0, Middlesex 9; and Signals 8, Lanford 1.

WITH the lawn bowls season drawing to a close, 10 matches in the three Divisions of the League were decided instead of the usual 13, and in most cases the results were as expected. In Second Division, Craigengower Cricket Club's chances of finishing up as runners-up were more or

less nullified as the result of wins scored by Kowloon Tong and Kowloon Football Club, with the latter heading the table by two points.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club, whose most dangerous rivals in Third Division are Police R.C., beat the Happy Valley team by 4 points to 1 to regain the leadership in this Division, though the latter are expected to beat K.F.C. by a big margin in their final game and so win the championship.

SWIMMING enthusiasts had three galas to cater to them, and each one of these produced some very fine swimming. In the early afternoon, at European Y.M.C.A., University held their annual championships and Charles Huang, well-known Colony swimmer, set up new records in the 220, 440 and 880 Yards free-style events. A new record for the 100 Yards breast-stroke was established by K. Lo, while Morrison Hall, who won the Inter-Hostel cham-

pionship, set up a new mark in the Inter-Hostel Relay race. Huang, who won the individual championship, was first in six of the events on the programme.

AT V.R.C., the Chinese Swimming Championships were held and here also records tumbled. Miss Sai Wai-ying clipped 1.2 seconds off the National record for the Ladies' 100 Metres back-stroke. Tsui Hang returned 63 seconds for the 100 Metres free-style to beat the old mark by 2.7 seconds, while in the 1,500 Metres free-style, Chan Chun-nam, Yap Sai-kwan and Lau Tai-ping, who finished in that order, all bettered the National record, Chan's time being 21 mins, 21 secs., while Yau was clocked at 21 mins, 41.2 secs., and Lau 21 mins, 58.4 secs.

THE Volunteers Gala and Inter-Services Meet at Army Pool, which was largely attended, proved exceedingly enjoyable. As

RUGBY LEAGUE RESULTS

Results of matches played in the Rugby League on Saturday were:

Barnsley	2	Featherstone	12
Broughton	6	Hull	31
Rangers	13	Wakefield Trinity	9
Castleford	11	Wigan	5
Dewsbury	0	Leeds	5
Huddersfield	11	Batley	8
Hunslet	2	St. Helen's	20
Keighley	9	Bradford	7
Oldham	8	Northern	17
York	8	Halifax	17

—Reuter.

expected, Mobile Column won the Corps Championship for the second year in succession, while in the first Inter-Services Meeting to be held Volunteers were first, with Navy-Air Force second and Army third.

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INDEPENDENCE FOR SYRIA

A new Syrian Ministry, under the Premiership of Hassan Hakim, has been formed in Damascus.

The Free French leader, General Catroux, is expected to issue a declaration concerning the new statute of independence for Syria.—Reuter.

FAMOUS CHURCH BURNT OUT

Serious damage resulted from a fire which broke out during Saturday night in the Oeumenical (Orthodox) Patriarchate at Phanar, on the Golden Horn.

This was reported in an Istanbul despatch to the Vichy News Agency yesterday.

The despatch added that the famous church of the Orthodox Patriarchate was burned out and the Palace practically destroyed.

The Church treasures were however, mainly saved. Fifty houses in the neighbourhood were also destroyed.—Reuter.

Effect Of Occupation On Caucasus

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

DESPITE BIG GERMAN CLAIMS OF SUCCESS AT KIEV AND IN SOUTHERN RUSSIA, WHICH, LIKE MANY PREVIOUS CLAIMS, ARE STILL REGARDED VERY DUBIOUSLY IN WELL-INFORMED QUARTERS, THE MOST INTERESTING FACTUAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE WEEK WAS THE ABDICATION OF THE SHAH OF PERSIA.

It is significant that the Russians have been able to spare considerable forces to complete the occupation of the zones which were allotted to their troops.

The Russians appear to have disposed of numbers of tanks and armoured cars and they certainly made a spectacular display of landing large numbers of parachute troops around Teheran.

They cannot be so hard up for men and material in the South if they were able to carry out these operations with irresistible force in perfect timing and with a full complement of mechanised units.

The junction of the British and Russian forces will have important repercussions on the whole strategic position in Southern Russia and the Caucasus.

British Air Feats

The Russians have admitted the loss of Kremenchug and fighting

at the gates of Kiev but otherwise their communiques have been excessively laconic.

Pressure on Leningrad appears to have relaxed somewhat.

British bombers and fighters were active throughout the week and have not only relentlessly attacked the principal German industrial centres but have carried out daylight sweeps over occupied France with constantly increasing forces.

Large numbers of enemy supply ships have been attacked and sunk while creeping along the Dutch, Belgian and French coasts.

Railways Not Up To Strain

The fact that the Germans are driven to use seaborne supplies proves that the railways are not equal to the strain put upon them—another result to which British bombers have contributed.

In North Africa there was reconnaissance in force by German and Italian troops on the Egyptian frontier but they were promptly driven back to their original position with the loss of at least 14 tanks.—Reuter.

ECLIPSE FESTIVAL IN INDIA

MILLIONS OF DEVOTED HINDUS FLOCKED TO THE SEASIDE, SACRED RIVERS AND BANKS ALL OVER INDIA TO WITNESS THE SOLAR ECLIPSE YESTERDAY MORNING, OFFERING PRAYERS, DISTRIBUTING ALMS TO THE POOR AND WASHING AWAY THEIR SINS IN THE HOLY WATERS.

Kurukshetra, historic battlefield and pilgrim centre where a temporary city sprang up for a solar eclipse fair, was visited by over half a million pilgrims from all over India who bathed in sacred tanks.

Members of the Nepal Royal Family and the Ruler of Oudipur, were prominent among the pilgrims at Kurukshetra.—Reuter.

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MARSHAL PETAIN, IN A THREE-MINUTE BROADCAST YESTERDAY AFTERNOON FROM VICHY, FORMALLY CONDEMNED RECENT ATTACKS ON GERMAN OCCUPATION-SOLDIERS AS "CRIMINAL ACTS" WHICH MUST BE "ASCRIBED TO FOREIGN AGENTS."

He said his Government would hunt down the guilty by all means. He made a special appeal to all Frenchmen in the occupied zone to help safeguard order.

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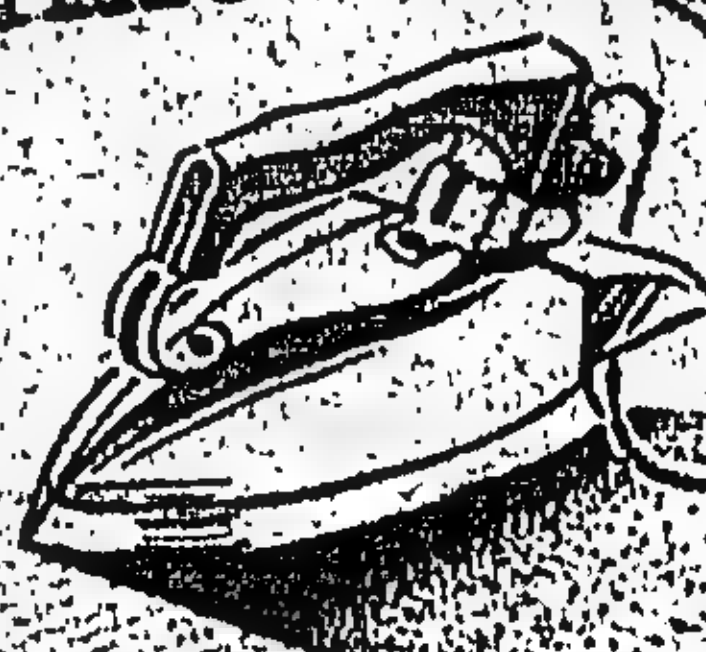
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Battle Goes On East Of Kiev

BOUNCING BLENHEIM SURVIVES

Despite balloons tethered to German supply ships encountered off the Dutch coast on Saturday and despite the escort of anti-aircraft ships, British bombers approached almost at sea level and rose hardly more than mast high to deliver an attack in which four ships were hit and left afire.

The Air Ministry News Service, describing the encounter, says that a former New Zealand farmer who is now a Flight-Lieutenant in the Bomber Command, said he had to list the starboard wing of his Blenheim bomber very sharply to avoid a balloon cable.

The Blenheim's starboard engine was hit and in the resulting lurch the bomber hit the sea, bounced off, again hit the sea and again bounced off.

It is believed this is the first time a land machine has escaped after twice hitting the sea.

The pilot said: "Although making strange noises, the Blenheim got us back safely and we blessed the men and women who made her so well"—Reuter.

ORDER NOW RESTORED IN PEEL

Order was restored at the Peel (Isle of Man) internment camp, where a riot broke out on Saturday night, after the commandant of the male internment camp saw the men's spokesman.

The commandant pointed out that he would not listen to the men's case until there should be quietness for an hour and that they had proper means of voicing grievances through their own leader.

Little material damage was done. One soldier was injured in the hand and an officer has a bruised leg.

All was quiet in the camp yesterday.—Reuter.

VOROSHILOV'S SON CAPTURED?

Marshal Voroshilov's son has been captured by the Germans, Rome radio declared yesterday, according to Reuter.

Premature Claims By The Germans

(Military Commentary By "Annalist")

YESTERDAY'S GERMAN HIGH COMMAND COMMUNIQUE, WHILE MAINTAINING ITS CLAIMS REGARDING KIEV, SPOKE OF FIGHTING TO THE EAST AND SOUTH-EAST OF THE UKRAINIAN CAPITAL, "WHERE THE RUSSIAN TROOPS ARE BEING ANNIHILATED."

This euphemism reveals that the Russians are still resisting desperately, even east of the town, and confirms the Russian communique that the battle continues all along the front but most fiercely at Kiev.

By putting out premature claims of victory the German High Command not only hopes to inspire its own men to further efforts but to discourage the enemy, especially in advanced positions, who may be led to believe that their cause is lost.

The High Command also announced yesterday that German troops have reached the Sea of Azov, thus cutting off the Crimea.

'Ware Neutral Sources

An earlier report to this effect, which received some credit in London, shows how wary one has to be of such German claims, especially when received from neutral sources.

The fact of severance of land communications with the Crimea, even if it should be confirmed on this occasion, is not likely to have a very material bearing on the progress of hostilities.

At Leningrad the situation seems somewhat easier and the absence of German claims in

connection with Murmansk would suggest that things are not going favourably with their offensive in this region.

Leningrad Check

FOR SEVERAL DAYS THE GERMAN FORCES BEFORE LENINGRAD HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO ADVANCE A SINGLE STEP FARTHER TOWARD THE CITY, SAYS A DISPATCH FROM THE FRONT LAST NIGHT.

Powerful artillery fire has driven the Nazis back to hastily-dug trenches and dugouts. Bold counter-attacks frustrated German preparations to advance and at many points forced the enemy to retire.

The Germans are hurling dozens of planes into their attacks on the Soviet lines but the Red Army men are staunchly holding their positions.

Kiev Evacuation Admitted

Following is the text of the Soviet midnight communique issued by the Soviet Information Bureau:

"During September 21, our troops fought the enemy along the whole front. After many days of fierce fighting, our troops evacuated Kiev.

"During September 19, we destroyed 80 German planes and lost 24."

"The Finnish coastal battleship, Imarinen, during an attack, by our ships in the Gulf of Finland, struck a mine and sank."

Oesel Claim

A special German High Command announcement issued yesterday afternoon stated: "Exemplary cooperation of formations of the army, air force and navy have secured a new and important success."

"Arensburg, capital of Oesel, has been captured. The islands of Moon and Oesel are thus securely in our hands."

"Only shattered parts of the garrison of Oesel are to be found in the western end of Oesel. Their destruction is imminent."—Reuter.

ODESSA GROWS IN STRENGTH

The strength of Odessa is increasing every day, it was announced by the Moscow Radio last night.

The defenders are resisting huge German forces who are sustaining very heavy losses.

Red Army troops have reoccupied the island of Hirtiza in Onieper River which had been in German hands for several weeks.

The local inhabitants, added the Moscow announcer, showed Soviet newspapermen a hastily filled common grave in which, under a thin layer of earth, were savagely mutilated bodies of three Red Army men and a nurse.—Reuter.

JAPANESE MANOEUVRES IN CAMBODIA

Part of the Japanese forces stationed at the southern bases in French Indo-China, are to carry out large-scale manoeuvres in the plains of Cambodia according to a Saigon telegram.

The manoeuvres will be followed in October by big reviews in which the entire Japanese forces in Indo-China will take part.—Reuter.

NO BRITISH INVASION--YET

"MR. CHURCHILL IS AS ANXIOUS AS ANY MAN TO TAKE OFFENSIVE ACTION IN THE CAUSE OF RIGHT, BUT SUCH ACTION, TOO SOON WITHOUT FULL PREPARATION AND MERELY BECAUSE THE PEOPLE CALLED FOR IT, WILL BE FAR WORSE THAN WAITING TO DELIVER THE BLOW WHEN IT WILL BE MOST EFFECTIVE."

So said Mr. Chuter Ede, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board

KIEV AN ENORMOUS HOSPITAL

Kiev fell owing to complete exhaustion, says a Milan despatch to Berne quoting the war correspondent of the newspaper, "Corriere della Sera."

The town for a week lacked water and food and the market was almost empty for a month and closed for a week.

Russian wounded from the great battle in Eastern Ukraine were largely transported to Kiev where hospitals were full. Schools, churches, theatres, cinemas, hotels and private houses were filled with wounded.

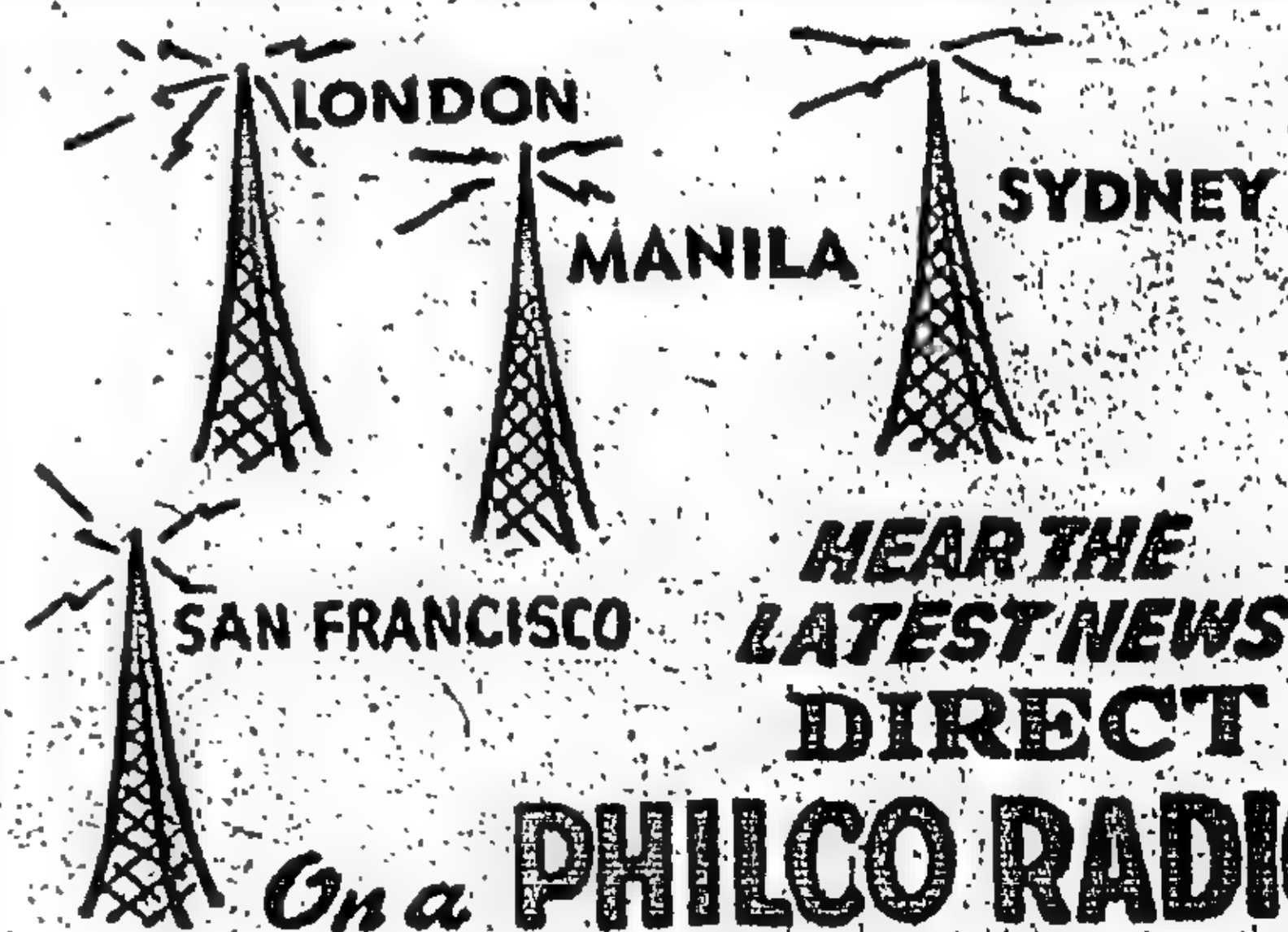
"Kiev is an enormous hospital."

Nevertheless, in order to conquer the town, which had been reduced to such conditions, the Germans had to overcome a belt of concrete forts, minefields, high-tension barbed-wire defences and engage in terrible hand-to-hand fighting.

German armoured advance guards after reaching the centre of the town were repulsed and only after three days fighting were they able to conquer Kiev, in which the population, even the wounded, had not eaten for 72 hours.—Reuter.

of Education, speaking at Newport, Monmouth, yesterday.

He added: "I know enough of Mr. Churchill to realise that the moment it is possible for us to take offensive action in support of our ally, he will take it."—Reuter.



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Scene Of "Indescribable Devastation" Greeted Nazis

Scorched Earth In Kiev

IT WAS ANNOUNCED in Berlin last night that when the German troops entered Kiev they found "indescribable devastation." This is a complete contradiction of earlier statements from Axis sources which said the city had been captured virtually intact and that the Russians' "scorched earth" tactics had not been applied there.

Last night's announcement, issued by the official German news agency, said: "All vital supplies had been removed or blown up and the water and electricity works destroyed and put out of action."

It continued: "The place is strewn with the wreckage of railways and bridges that had been blown up."

"The population had not the bare necessities of life. By their destructive sabotage the Bolsheviks have endangered the lives of tens of thousands in the most cruel fashion."

Meanwhile a description of the capture of the city given by the correspondent of "La Suisse" (quoted by the Vichy news agency) tells how naked Germans stormed casemates at Kiev.

Flank Movement

The correspondent, who states he received his information from "authoritative German sources," says the German troops had been outside the city for some weeks.

Immediately after their arrival they broke through the first line of fortifications. They were then ordered to remain on the defensive, merely repelling counter-attacks by the Russian garrison.

Meanwhile the armies of General von Bock and General von Rundstedt carried out a flanking movement which was completed on Wednesday last by their junction 60 miles east of the city.

While several German divisions were brought from the east bank of the Dnieper and crossed to the north of the city, other divisions coming from the south advanced up the west bank and attacked the fortified system.

Swam River

The correspondent says it was a bold thrust which proved decisive for the capture of the city.

During the night of Thursday/Friday German infantry swam across a little river to the south of Kiev behind which concrete casemates defended the inner city.

These casemates were stormed by naked German troops wearing nothing but their steel helmets but carrying arms and ammunition.

The German artillery was very active during the assault and the air force previously had blown up ammunition dumps round the city.

A breach was made in the defences and when at noon on Friday German troops entered the citadel the Soviet troops surrendered, says the correspondent, and the whole city fell into German hands.

The correspondent adds Kiev is the first of the Russian cities taken by the Germans to have suffered very little despite the bitter fighting around it.—Reuter.

GERMAN-TURKISH NEGOTIATIONS

The German negotiator, Dr. Clodius, is believed to have been successful in completing arrangements regarding agricultural quotas between Germany and Turkey but discussions regarding minerals "are continuing." — Reuter.

PERFECT ECLIPSE IN FORMOSA

The eclipse of the sun was observed in perfect weather conditions by the Japanese Scientific Mission yesterday, on the island of Ishigaki Shima, 150 miles east of Formosa.

Partial eclipse began at 12.17 p.m. and became total at 2.49 p.m., local time, lasting 3 minutes, 19 seconds.—Reuter.

English Girl's Record

A 21-year-old girl, Evelyn Duncan, has created a world record for production of anti-aircraft shell components in Birmingham.

She turned out 6,130 components in six days.

Evelyn Duncan reached this figure in a competition held in Birmingham in connection with a recruiting campaign.

The previous record was 5,000 components in one week. Another competitor outstripped the previous record reaching a production of 5,905 components.—Reuter.

ECLIPSE SEEN IN THE SOVIET

The eclipse of the sun yesterday was observed over a stretch of 1,750 miles of the Soviet Union, from north of the Caucasus to Kirghizstan, beginning at 3.12 p.m. (G.M.T.).

Complete eclipse was observable during a period of about one minute over a stretch of 65 miles. The scientific expedition, recently sent to Kazilord, Kazakhstan, made observations.—Reuter.



ENJOYING A COOLER—After taking part in events at an R.A.F. Sports Meeting, these W.A.A.F.s are glad to refresh themselves with a "coolie" whilst watching their colleagues.

MAISKY'S APPEAL FOR MORE TANKS

"WE NEED TANKS and more tanks — and yet more tanks," says M. Maisky, Soviet Ambassador to Britain, in a stirring appeal to Britain which coincides with the opening today of "Tanks For Russia" Week.

M. Maisky says that Russia produces many tanks herself but the Russian losses in tanks on the 2,000-mile front are great.

"We require your urgent help in order to reinforce our own efforts. Your tanks will not be wasted; they will go out to battle at once."

"We know how to use them against our common enemy."

"The best testimony is the great fight which the Soviet forces and the whole of the Soviet people have put up during the last three months against the panzer barbarians of Hitlerite Germany."

"The sooner you send us tanks and the greater their number, the earlier will the Nazi hordes be defeated."

"We have with you the common front. Send immediately your tank reinforcements to that section of the front which at present is bearing the brunt of the fight. Send speedily as many as possible."

"Twice gives he who gives at the right time and the right place." — Reuter.

THAT ACT AGAIN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") THE CLAMOUR FOR REPEAL OF THE NEUTRALITY ACT HAS BROUGHT A WARNING FROM SENATOR GEORGE, WHO SAID: "THE ULTIMATE AND SUPREME DECISION ON THE NATION'S FOREIGN POLICY SHOULD BE PLACED BEFORE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE."

The warning was served after Representative Sol Bloom, Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, advocated outright repeal of the Neutrality Act.—International News Service.

KEY TO EVENTS IN FUTURE

IRAN IS LIKELY TO BE THE KEY TO EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE, DECLARED MR. FREDERICK MONTAGUE, PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY TO THE MINISTRY OF AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION, SPEAKING AT SOUTHAMPTON YESTERDAY.

He added: "People say we are not forming a second land front but remember we have responsibilities from Spitzbergen to Tobruk."

Declaring Britain was sending more aid to Russia than some people thought Mr. Montague said: "But we must send more. There must be a jump in production like that which followed the fall of France." — Reuter.

U.S. GOVERNMENT'S FIRM ACTION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A non-Union crew picked by the Government sailed the freighter "Alcoa Banner" from New York to the American Army base at Trinidad with supplies and munitions.

The American Federation of Labour Seafarers' Union has protested to the President.—International News Service.

NORWAY PRISONS PACKED

Prisons in Oslo and the suburbs are packed to the limit, according to a Stockholm telegram to the official Russian news agency giving details of the German policy of terror in Norway.

The list of those arrested includes the Secretary of the Labour Party, Bergdaen, the Chief of the Oslo Police and several university professors.

The German-appointed High Commissioner of the Norwegian Trade Unions, Sossun, has dissolved the elected Council of Trade Unions and replaced it by his stool-pigeons. Sossun has forbidden workers to demand an increase in wages and to pay membership dues to the Unions.

The Swedish newspaper "Goteborg Handelsblad" reports that several Oslo enterprises are guarded by armed German detachments.

Norwegian workers are compelled to resume work under pain of death.

In Oslo the Germans have removed many Norwegian directors of Norwegian industrial and commercial firms from their posts, and Kuppenberg, Director of the Igsarbenindustri Trust, will control the whole of Norwegian industry.

Strikes and demonstrations are going on.—Reuter.

REVEALING BALANCE SHEET

WHILE THE CONTINUED BRITISH DAY AND NIGHT OFFENSIVE AGAINST GERMAN AND OCCUPIED TERRITORY NATURALLY ENTAILS LOSSES—FAR OUTWEIGHED BY THE VALUE OF THE RESULTS—OBTAINED—THE WEEK'S COMPARATIVE FIGURES TO DAWN YESTERDAY CONTINUE TO DEMONSTRATE THE ASCENDANCE OF THE R.A.F.

Complete figures of losses are: Over Britain—German 3, British nil.

Over Europe—German 54, British 46.

Middle East—Axis 14, British 7.—British Wireless.

RUSHING AIR AID TO RUSSIA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") THE UNITED STATES WILL FLY LONG-RANGE BOMBERS DIRECT TO RUSSIA VIA ALASKA. IT IS LEARNED IN AUTHORITY WASHINGTON CIRCLES.

This is part of a complex plan to divert aid to the Soviet immediately to stem the German tide. It is stated in Washington that the British Government recognises Russia's need for planes is urgent and Britain has agreed to release numbers of the bombers which present are being ferried across the Atlantic.—International News Service.

BULGARIA HEADING FOR WAR

Clash With Turkey Thought Inevitable

Dragged Behind Axis Chariot

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

THE STATE OF EMERGENCY THROUGH-OUT BULGARIA REVEALS THE GRAVE SITUATION WITH WHICH M. FILOFF'S GOVERNMENT IS CONFRONTED; HAVING HIT-CHED ITSELF TO THE AXIS CHARIOT IT FINDS ITSELF DRAGGED INTO COMPLETE AND ABJECT SUBSERVIENT TO THE POLICY OF ITS POWERFUL TEAM MATES.

Neither the Government nor the people want war but they are being coerced into a course against their will, against their interests, against their tradition.

But, having accepted the "new order," they are so deeply committed that there seems little chance of escaping the fate of Hungary and Rumania and being used as catspaws by the German High Command.

They may be able to evade fighting against their Russian benefactors by attacking Turkey but it does not look as though there were any other alternative.

Despite the Axis leanings of the Government the people are still moved by Russia's share in their liberation and apart from their common Slav origin there has always been strong sympathy with Soviet ideology among the largely agrarian population.

Popular resentment against recent moves by the Government has led to widespread discontent and even sabotage, with correspondingly severe repressive measures by the authorities.

German-Inspired

An attempt is now being made to create a movement against Russia by allegations that Bulgarian ships have been sunk by Russian mines or torpedoed by Russian submarines.

The hand of German propaganda is very evident in the manner in which these reports, which are still very dubious, are

being played up in the Bulgarian press.

Simultaneously, however, relations with Turkey are being deliberately exacerbated, possibly in the hope of serving as a pretext for avoiding an unpopular breach with Russia, possibly because the Government feels that war with Turkey would be the lesser of two evils.

War Of Nerves

The Germans are naturally exploiting this situation as part of their war of nerves against Turkey, and it is still too early to say whether they are prepared to go the full length. Much will depend on the degree of their success in southern Russia.

IT MIGHT BE ENTIRELY UNPROFITABLE TO TAKE ON TURKEY AS AN ENEMY IF THE RESULT OF THE RUSSIAN CAMPAIGN IS STILL SWAYING IN THE BALANCE.—REUTER.

EIGHTEEN GERMANS DAY'S BAG

BLLENHEIM AIRCRAFT OF THE BOMBER COMMAND STRONGLY ESCORTED BY FIGHTERS, ATTACKED A POWER STATION AT GOSNAY NEAR BETHUNE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, IT WAS LEARNED IN LONDON.

Bombs were seen to hit the target and fires were left burning.

The fighter escort had many combats with enemy fighters and it is known that 18 of the enemy were destroyed.

Twelve British fighters were lost but the pilots of two have been rescued from the sea. No British bombers were lost.—Reuter.

QUISLING TO RETURN THE LOOT

QUISLING HAS BEEN ORDERED BY THE GERMAN AUTHORITIES TO RETURN WITHIN THREE DAYS ALL THE MONEY HE HAD TAKEN FROM THE BANK OF NORWAY, SAYS A STOCKHOLM DESPATCH TO THE SOVIET NEWS AGENCY IN MOSCOW.

It was proved, says the dispatch, that Quisling withdrew a large sum from the Bank and transferred a considerable part of it abroad. His underlings did likewise.

The German authorities, concludes the dispatch, have now forbidden the Bank to issue any funds to the Quisling party without German permission.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST BLACK-OUT

The biggest black-out test ever held in Australia took place last night when for over an hour Sydney and the surrounding area was plunged into darkness.

More than a million residents were affected by the black-out which is officially described as most successful.—Reuter.

ROOSEVELT MESSAGE TO JEWRY

President Roosevelt sent a message to Jews everywhere which was broadcast by Rabbi Stephen Wise when speaking in connection with the opening of the Year 5702 in the Jewish Calendar.

President Roosevelt expressed confidence that despite the temporary darkness encompassing the world, the light of liberty would not be extinguished.

He added: "With united devotion to the just cause of peace and tolerance we must rededicate ourselves to the task which lies before us in order that all people may live as equals."

Rabbi Wise said that of the 150,000,000 people captive to Hitler, only 6,000,000 were Jews but his assault on them was a smoke screen for a concerted attack on all institutions of Democracy and freedom.—Reuter.

R.A.F. DAY SWEEPS REACH CLIMAX

ROYAL AIR FORCE daylight sweeps reached a new climax during the past week in which bombers and fighters daily raided Axis occupied Europe.

The outstanding night operation was the R.A.F.'s 77th raid on Hamburg and other north-west German ports on the night of September 15-16 wherein over 200 heavy bombers were engaged.

Another striking night feature was the substantial blow at Stettin, important supply port for the Germans' eastern front, to which the R.A.F. flew further than to Berlin.

Targets at Stettin were illuminated by the Northern Lights. Other night objectives were Karlsruhe, Le Havre docks, Berlin and Frankfurt.

ON THE 17TH THE MAIN TARGET WAS THE POWER PLANT AT MAZINGARBE NEAR BETHUNE WHERE 300 R.A.F. FIGHTERS WERE IN THE SKIES SIMULTANEOUSLY OVER FRANCE, MANY MORE GOING OUT DURING THE DAY.

On September 18, when the chief objective was a power station near Rouen, operations were on a similar scale but they reached the peak on September 19 when the largest combined force since offensive sweeps began took to the air to attack railway centres at Hazebrouck and Abbeville, shipyards at Rouen and the docks at Le Havre, while a Fortress penetrated Germany to attack Emden docks.

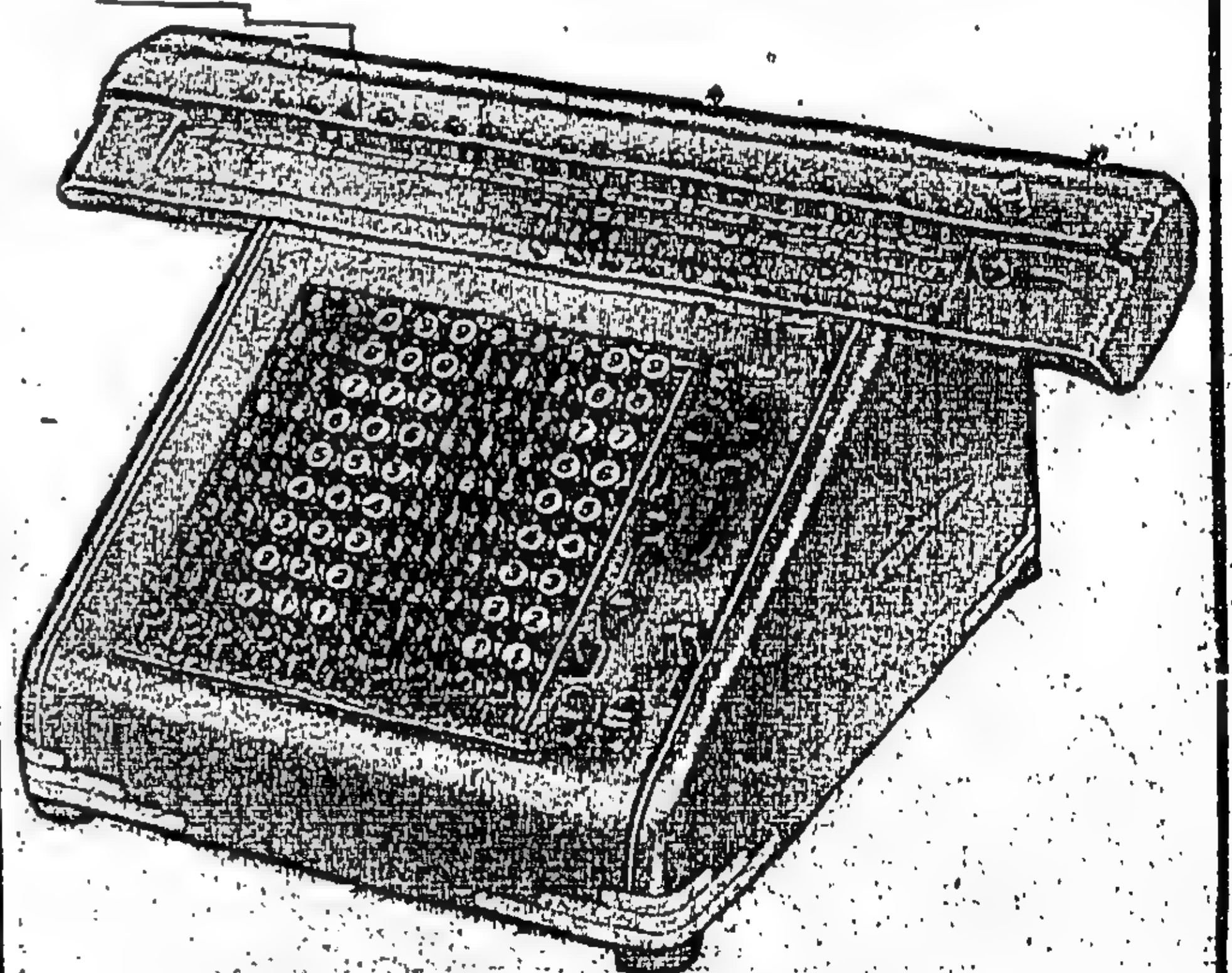
In all these operations the Germans lost 54 fighters, the R.A.F. 48 planes of which 14 were bombers and 32 fighters. Six R.A.F. pilots were saved.—Reuter.



Mr. Churchill on his arrival at No. 10, Downing Street, buys a flag for the Air Raid Distress Fund.

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IRAN SETTLEMENT FILLS DANGEROUS GAPS IN THE FRONT

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent in Teheran)

WITH THE NEW 22-YEAR-OLD SHAH, MOHAMED RIZA PAHLEVI, ON THE THRONE, AND HIS GATHERING POPULARITY, WITH UNEXPECTED RAPIDITY THE IRANIAN PEOPLE HAVE SET OUT TO BANISH THE MEMORY OF THE OLD REGIME AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

Parliament has already set up several commissions to reform the laws and practices which one month ago none would have dared to question, and establish new ones. Perhaps the biggest question to be tackled is that of the monopolies which have grown to a point where they have practically strangled all individual commercial initiative in Iran.

These monopolies brought great profits to the country's budget, but they were disposed of in unconstitutional fashion by the ex-Shah. They also found their way into the ex-Shah's private pocket.

Another point on which Iranians are determined is that there shall be no sliding back into the ways of the late regime in regard to the supremacy of Parliament's voice in the Government of their country.

"Rubber Stamp"

Terrorised for 15 years into acting as a "rubber stamp," Iran's 136 deputies are now trying to ensure that their rights, as laid down in the Constitution, shall be permanently honoured.

The difficulty, however, is that a considerable section of Parliament is demanding free elections as opposed to the hitherto farcically rigid voting, while other deputies are determined to hold their present seats as long as possible.

This dispute may be the precursor of many others, marking Iran's progress from one of the world's strongest dictatorships towards democracy.

Meanwhile, with the delimitation of the main outlines of Iran's political future, dangerous gaps have been filled in the Anglo-Russian front which now spreads from West Africa across Asia and Europe to Murmansk.

Caucasus Defence

The defence of the Caucasus, which is the main barrier to Germany's advance towards the world's principal oil supply, is now organised in tremendous depth by Russian troops. Behind them lie the British forces guarding the communications along which will flow supplies to Russia from Britain, the Empire and America.

Arrangements for these supplies to Russia are already well on the way to completion, but the future stabilisation of the internal situation is first necessary.

This stabilisation awaits, among other things, the disposal of the remaining Axis agents. These include 150 Germans, four dangerous Italians, the ex-Grand Mufti of Jerusalem and several supporters of Raschid Ali.

The ex-Shah, whose future is now being discussed by the British, Russian and Persian Governments, is still at Isfahan, the main city of Central Iran. Two envoys, one of whom is a distant relative of the ex-Shah, have been dispatched by the Iranian Government to Isfahan to obtain from the ex-Shah a document restoring to the Iranian people some of the vast wealth he had extorted from them.

These envoys arrived at Isfahan on Friday, but it is not yet known here whether the ex-Shah is resisting their demands.—Reuter.

TRAGEDY IN GREEK ISLANDS

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent in Ankara.)

Children are dying of hunger in the Axis-occupied Greek islands of Mytelene and Chios. The Germans have been compelled to abandon their attempts to re-open the olive oil mills, many workers fainting from the lack of food.

Yet the spirit of the islanders remain undaunted. Many attempts have been made to escape to the mainland.

The Germans have equipped with searchlights and machine-guns a captured British motor yacht with which they nightly patrol the channel between the island and the Turkish coast, but in spite of this the islanders continue to escape taking their wives and families with them.

Although these and other islands are occupied by Axis forces, the Aegean remains an unhealthy place for Axis shipping.

THE TOBRUK STANDARD

"The defence of Tobruk is one of the greatest events in human history," said Mr. Menzies yesterday in a speech in Melbourne. In his speech he rebuked profiteers, strikers, and "self-seekers."

He added: "I am passionately convinced that nothing short of the Tobruk standard will save us."

—Reuter.

"USE ONIONS LIKE PERFUME"

THE PREDICTION THAT HOUSEWIVES WILL SOON HAVE TO REGISTER WITH THEIR GREENGROCERS FOR ORANGES AND ONIONS WAS MADE BY MR. C. ESCOTT, AREA DISTRIBUTING OFFICER FOR ONIONS AND CARROTS, AT A MASS MEETING OF RETAILERS TRADING ON SMITHFIELD MARKET, MANCHESTER.

Pointing out that this year we must rely on the home-grown crop, which would fall far below the normal imports, he said the public must be persuaded to use onions like a perfume not as a food.

If people in the North persisted in looking on onions as food instead, like the South, as a flavouring there would be just enough for one square meal, he said.

A Turkish fisherman, returning from this area, reports that he rounded one headland just in time to see an Italian ship sinking.

Reports from Istanbul declare that the crew of the Rumanian steamer "Baltic" refused to sail from Trieste because they were afraid their ship would be sunk by the British.—Reuter.

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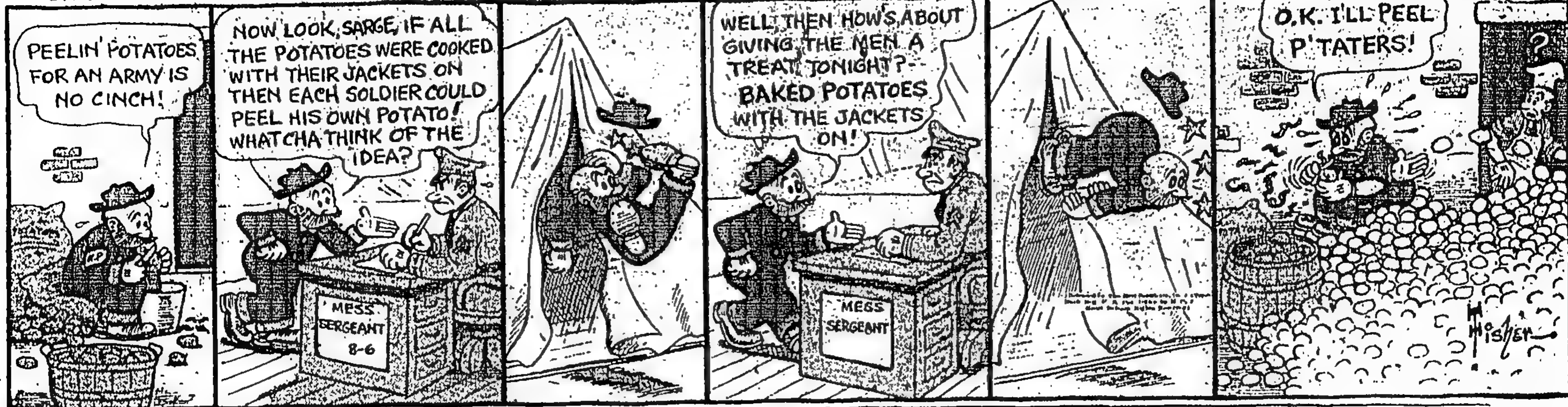


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PETAIN BACKS UP THE NAZIS

MARSHAL PETAIN, IN A THREE-MINUTE BROADCAST YESTERDAY AFTERNOON FROM VICHY, FORMALLY CONDEMNED RECENT ATTACKS ON GERMAN OCCUPATION SOLDIERS AS "CRIMINAL ACTS" WHICH MUST BE "ASCRIBED TO FOREIGN AGENTS."

He said his Government would hunt down the guilty by all means. He made a special appeal to all Frenchmen in the occupied zone to help safeguard order.

"If these criminal gestures continue, repression will risk affecting innocent people. Your primary duty is to safeguard the unity of France," he added.—Reuter.

JAPANESE ENVOYS

THE JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE ON SATURDAY ANNOUNCED TWO DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS.

Mr. Masatoshi Akiyama has been named Japanese Minister to Nicaragua.

Mr. Denjiro Kato is appointed consul-general at Vienna and at the same time First Secretary of the Japanese Legation in Slovakia.—Reuter.

ORGANISING THE EYES OF THE ARMY

ONE OF THE WAR'S most vital tasks is that of the "eyes of the Army"—the Cooperation Command, whose squadrons watch the battlefield.

Pilots are men trained in the art of reconnaissance. Upon their zeal and initiative in the air may well depend the fate of armies on the ground, for it is upon the accuracy and speed of aerial reconnaissance that the decisions of army chiefs are often made.

Should a British offensive be in progress or the enemy threatening an attack, Army Cooperation squadrons will be at instant readiness on airfields close to the army formations to which they are attached. Pilots will be standing by the aircraft waiting for orders.

Air Liaison officers—Army officers who form a link between Army commanders and Air Cooperation squadrons—will be receiving messages from Army H.Q. seeking information which aerial reconnaissance alone can provide.

What Army Wants

Suddenly a pilot will be summoned. The air liaison officers will explain the mission, explain perhaps what the Army wants, whether tanks are moving behind the enemy lines or whether reinforcements of troops are massing near a certain village.

The pilot will make the necessary reconnaissance, watching the skies for hostile aircraft.

If the mission is urgent he may send information by wireless or drop a written message as soon as he returns to the landing ground.

Part of the mission may be to take aerial photographs of a particular position pinpoint on his map. Then he will keep the aircraft steady while the camera does the job.

The squadron's photographic staff will stage the camera, process the negatives and deliver the prints without delay to the air liaison officer, so that he can either report direct to Army H.Q. or send the photographs to H.Q. for examination there.

Strategic Study

Another type of reconnaissance may also be required—strategic reconnaissance.

This reconnaissance is not over or near the scene of fighting but well behind the battle front.

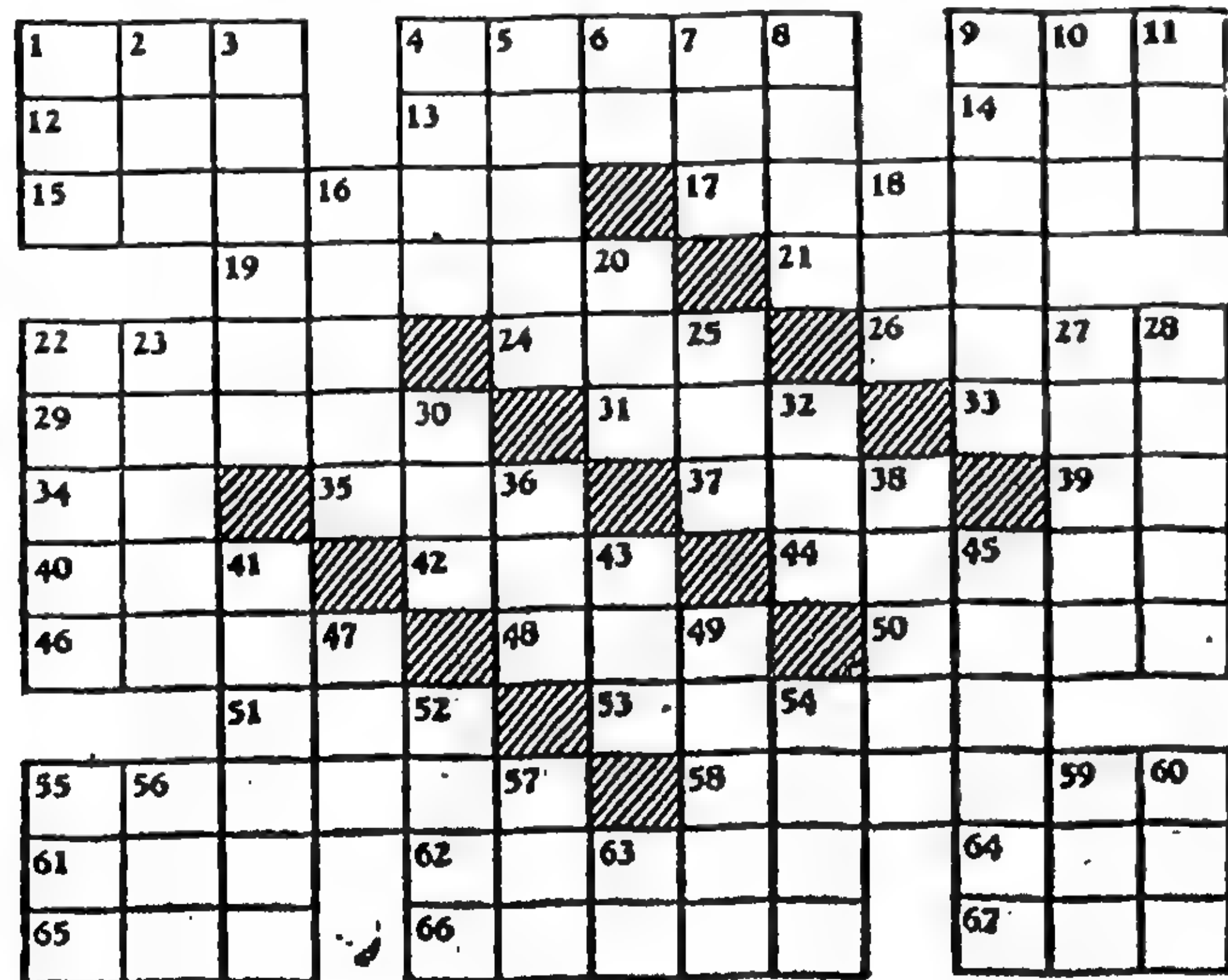
Pilots are rigorously trained for this class of work and become extremely proficient in reporting by wireless to the artillery commander where shells are falling.

If they are exploding short he will notify the gunners. If they are too far ahead he will direct fire to the objective till the shells find the mark and the battery is destroyed.

It is a perilous task for the pilot. A.A. fire may harass him, enemy fighters pursue him.

But the work must be done and no Army Cooperation pilot wants to return to base before his reconnaissance mission is accomplished.—British Wireless.

OUR 10-MINUTE CROSS-WORD



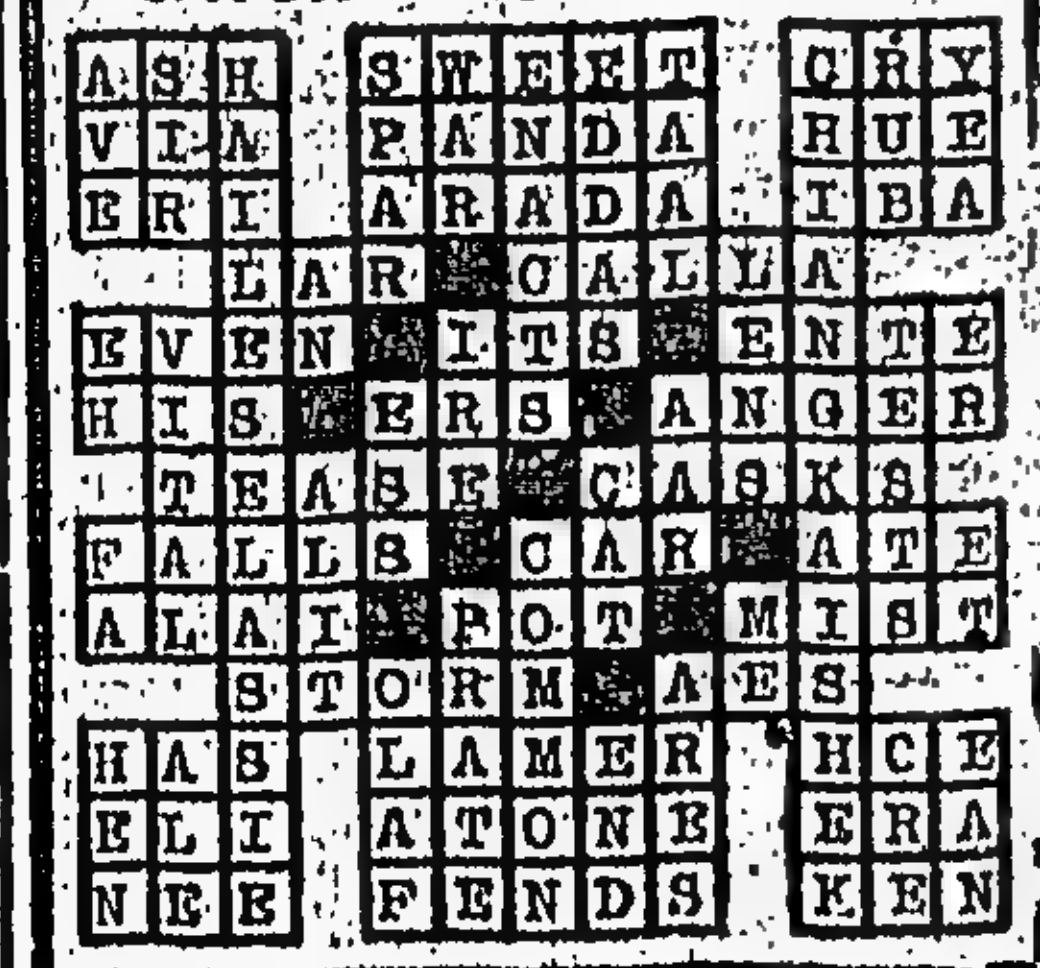
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Clue
- 4 Likeness
- 9 Cravat
- 12 Trouble
- 13 Artificial
- 14 Measure of length
- 15 English dramatist
- 17 French dramatist
- 19 Presenter
- 21 Hard-shelled fruit
- 22 To retain
- 24 To take from illegally
- 28 List
- 29 Missile weapon
- 31 Humorist
- 33 Prouberance
- 34 River in Italy
- 35 Inlet
- 37 Light brown
- 39 Halfway month
- 40 Greek letter
- 42 Title of respect
- 44 To fall into disuse
- 46 Norse galley
- 48 Marriage portion
- 50 Metropolis

VERTICAL

- 1 Dervish's cap
- 2 Artificial language
- 3 To meditate
- 4 Religious representation
- 5 Lord's estate
- 6 Article
- 7 Pike-like fish
- 8 Dash
- 9 Sea demigod

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION



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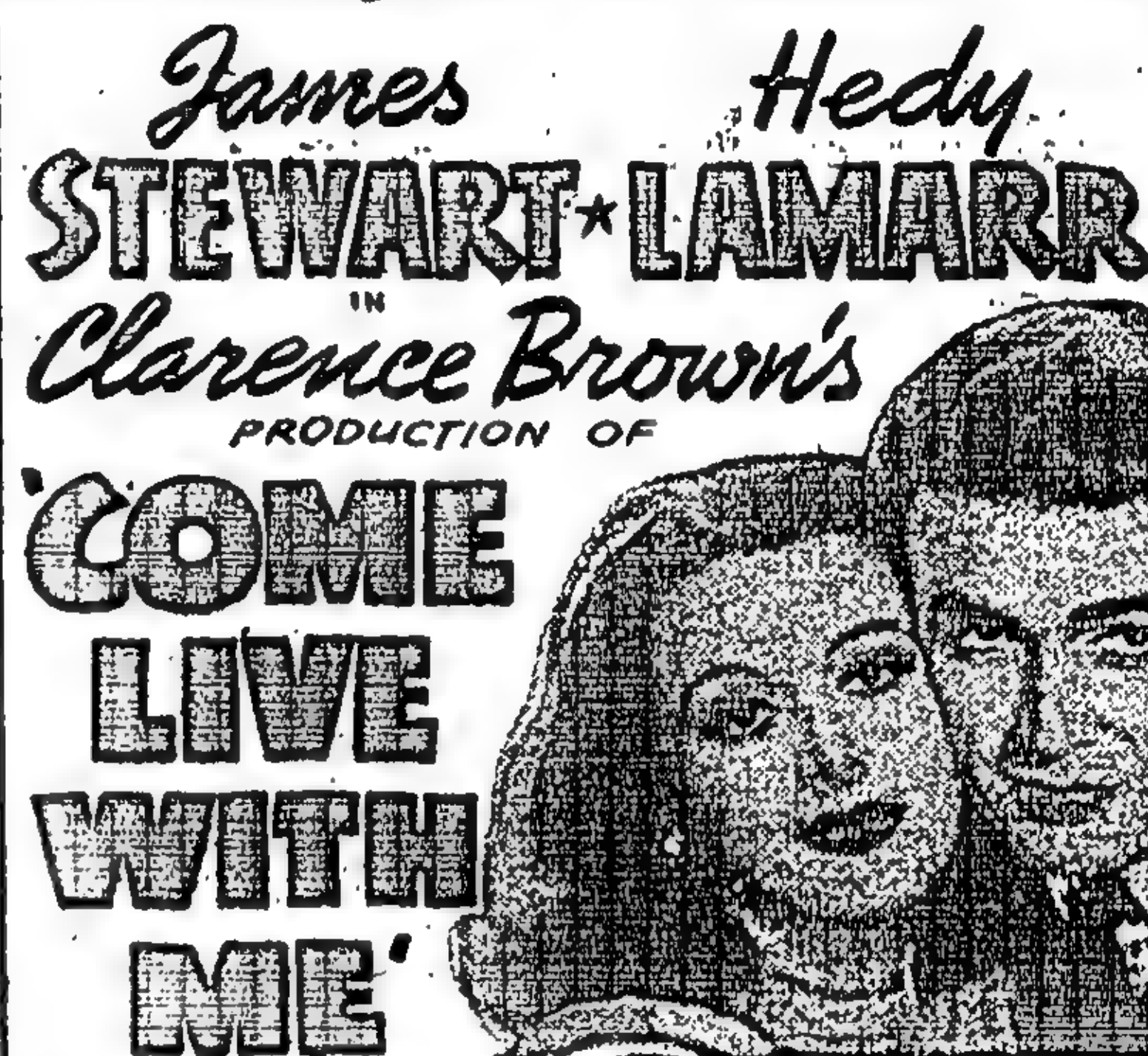
- 10 Electrified particle
- 11 Holland commune
- 16 Deep sleep
- 18 Mongrel
- 20 Lute
- 22 Greek letter
- 23 Eaten away
- 25 Seized with the teeth
- 27 To warm thoroughly
- 28 Monastery
- 30 Archaic to suppose
- 32 Hindu cymbals
- 36 Assistance
- 38 Mother-of-pearl
- 41 Aits
- 43 Fabulous bird
- 45 Had compassion for
- 47 Feline
- 49 Young hog
- 52 Arabian sailing vessel
- 54 Former English queen
- 55 Teamster's cry
- 56 Rowing implement
- 57 To blunder
- 58 Caustic substance
- 60 Sheltered
- 63 To leave

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AMBASSADOR'S CALL FOR AID TO CHINA

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PROGRESS IN SEVERAL SECTORS OF A
2,000-MILE FRONT FROM INNER MONGO-
LIA TO THE BORDERS OF THE CHINA SEA IN
THE SOUTH, THE CHINESE AMBASSADOR
TO BRITAIN, DR. WELLINGTON KOO, SAID
IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

"Fifty months' sacrifice and suffering,
blood and tears, have not dampened China's
ardent spirit of resistance."

V LIGHTS SEEN BY R.A.F.

Lights, red, white and
yellow, in the shape of the
letter V, were seen by Bri-
tish bomber crews as they
flew over France, Belgium
and Holland on their way
to blast the German indus-
trial centres of Frank-
furt and Mannheim.

There was no explanation in
London of the mysterious V lights
—they were seen the previous
night—but there was no doubt
about their appearance.

When the first of our crews
reported the lights — over
France — they story was re-
ceived with a sceptical smile
by the interrogating officer at
the base.

But other crews had seen
these lights, and other Vs, in
France, and in Belgium and
Holland.

They were not, the crews said,
anything like the lights of an
aerodrome.

One V was made by white lights
enclosed in a circle of red lights
and another by five yellow lights
in each arm.

They varied between 12ft.
and 50ft. in length, but a V in
Belgium seemed to be about
100 yards long and was made
of continuous lines of light. "It
was like a neon sign," said a
pilot.

ECLIPSE FESTIVAL IN INDIA

MILLIONS OF DEVOTED
HINDUS FLOCKED TO THE
SEASIDE, SACRED RIVERS
AND BANKS ALL OVER INDIA
TO WITNESS THE SOLAR
ECLIPSE YESTERDAY MORN-
ING, OFFERING PRAYERS,
DISTRIBUTING ALMS TO THE
POOR AND WASHING AWAY
THEIR SINS IN THE HOLY
WATERS.

Kurukshetra, historic battlefield
and pilgrim centre where a tem-
porary city sprang up for a solar
eclipse fair, was visited by over
half a million pilgrims from
all over India who bathed in
sacred tanks.

Members of the Nepal Royal
Family and the Ruler of Dholpur,
were prominent among the pil-
grims at Kurukshetra. — Reuter.

IRAN SHORTAGE OF PETROL

Reports from the Iranian fron-
tier indicate an acute shortage of
petrol in eastern Iran resulting in
all private cars being forced to lie
idle. Only motor cars and lorries
in Government service are receiv-
ing supplies of petrol. — Reuter.

"The military situation in
China to-day is better than could
have been expected two years
ago. The dauntless Chinese sol-
diers have fought the mighty war
machine of Japan to a standstill.
"To-day it is Japan who is
anxious to end the war. She is
feeling, if not desperate, certainly
worried, because she sees no
way of terminating the struggle
except by giving up all she con-
quered."

"China's mood is all for the
continuing of the fight until final
victory is achieved."

"Big Bully"

Declaring that sword rattling
has been Japan's favourite pastime
and that she was the big bully
of the Far East, the Chinese Am-
bassador continued: "Cooperation
in the New Order for Co-prosper-
ity is her slogan to mask a bound-
less ambition to conquer and do-
minate."

"China can never live in peace
and security, nor can any of the
smaller nations in Eastern Asia,
while Japan remains governed by a
military hierarchy which re-
cognises no rule except force."

New Measures

Urging that there should be no
relaxation of the economic restric-
tions recently imposed upon Japan
by Britain, the British Dominions,
India, the United States and the
Netherlands East Indies, the
Chinese Ambassador declared that
on the contrary, to bring the
Japanese militarists quickly to
their senses new measures of a
restraining character were re-
quired.

In conclusion, he urged "the
need for larger supplies for
China."
He said: "If China had enough
equipment she would have little
difficulty in ridding herself of the
enemy."

"An early Chinese victory would
not only end the brutal carnage
but would make other gangster
nations realise that in the end
aggression would not pay." — Reu-
ter.

SERGEANT-PILOT BEAT 5 NAZIS

FIVE MESSERSCHMITTS were tackled single-
handed by an R.A.F. sergeant-pilot during a break-
fast-time raid on Northern France.

When one Messerschmitt blew up and another
burst into flames, the remainder fled and the pilot
rejoined his squadron.

Another sergeant-pilot who
lost his formation got into a
battle which brought him down
to roof-top height over the Bel-
gian coast.

He found himself alone near a
long convoy of enemy ships and,
turning, raked the whole line of
vessels with his cannon and
machine-gun fire.

"Shot-Up" Watch Tower

Then, seeing a Messerschmitt
about to land on an aerodrome
a few miles inland, he shot it
down on its own base.

To wind up, he "shot up" a
watch tower, from which the
startled watchkeeper fell out.

Some of our heaviest bomb-
ers were among the large force
engaged.
The targets were a factory at
Lille and enemy shipping off the
French coast.

VALENTINE "KILLER" MADE IN MONTH

Valentine, the Bri-
tish Army's new 16-
ton "killer" tank, owes
its name to its day of
birth.

About a year before
the war experts in a
leading armament
firm inspected a new
infantry tank model.
They were so critical
that they were chal-
lenged to produce a
better one in just one
month.

On February 14—St.
Valentine's Day—the
designers completed
their job exactly on
time. So Mark III was
christened "Valen-
tine."

NOW THEY FEEL FINE

Call to Lieutenant Hornemann,
of the 372nd German Infantry
Regiment, was broadcast by
Moscow.

Hornemann was told by no
means to worry about fifteen of
his soldiers whom he had sent on
patrol.

"The whole patrol has desert-
ed to us and we are authorised to
inform you that they feel fine,"
said the announcer.

PARACHUTIST SLEEP-WALKED

Walking in his sleep after
parachute instruction, Lieutenant
Henri Selwyn Halliday, of the
R.A., squeezed through a win-
dow eighteen inches by twenty-
two, and fell twenty-four feet to
death.

The jury, at the inquest, added
to a verdict of Accidental death
that in all probability he was
sleep-walking when he dived
through the window.

Halliday was in civil life a
bank clerk living at Morden,
Surrey.

AIR-ARMY LINK WORKS FAST NOW

In the old days cooperation
between the Army and the Air
Force was a slow business, and
bombing of a target was subject
to many unnecessary delays.

Invasion exercises carried out
by Eastern and Western Forces in
the Yorkshire Dales demon-
strated the enormous speed-up since
the war began.

A few minutes after the com-
manding officer telephoned the
need to bomb a certain target
pilots were being "briefed", at
their headquarters, and in a
startlingly short time our bombers
were over the target.

"Still greater developments are
in prospect," said a military
expert.

CHINA MAIL
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THE COURSE IS FORWARD

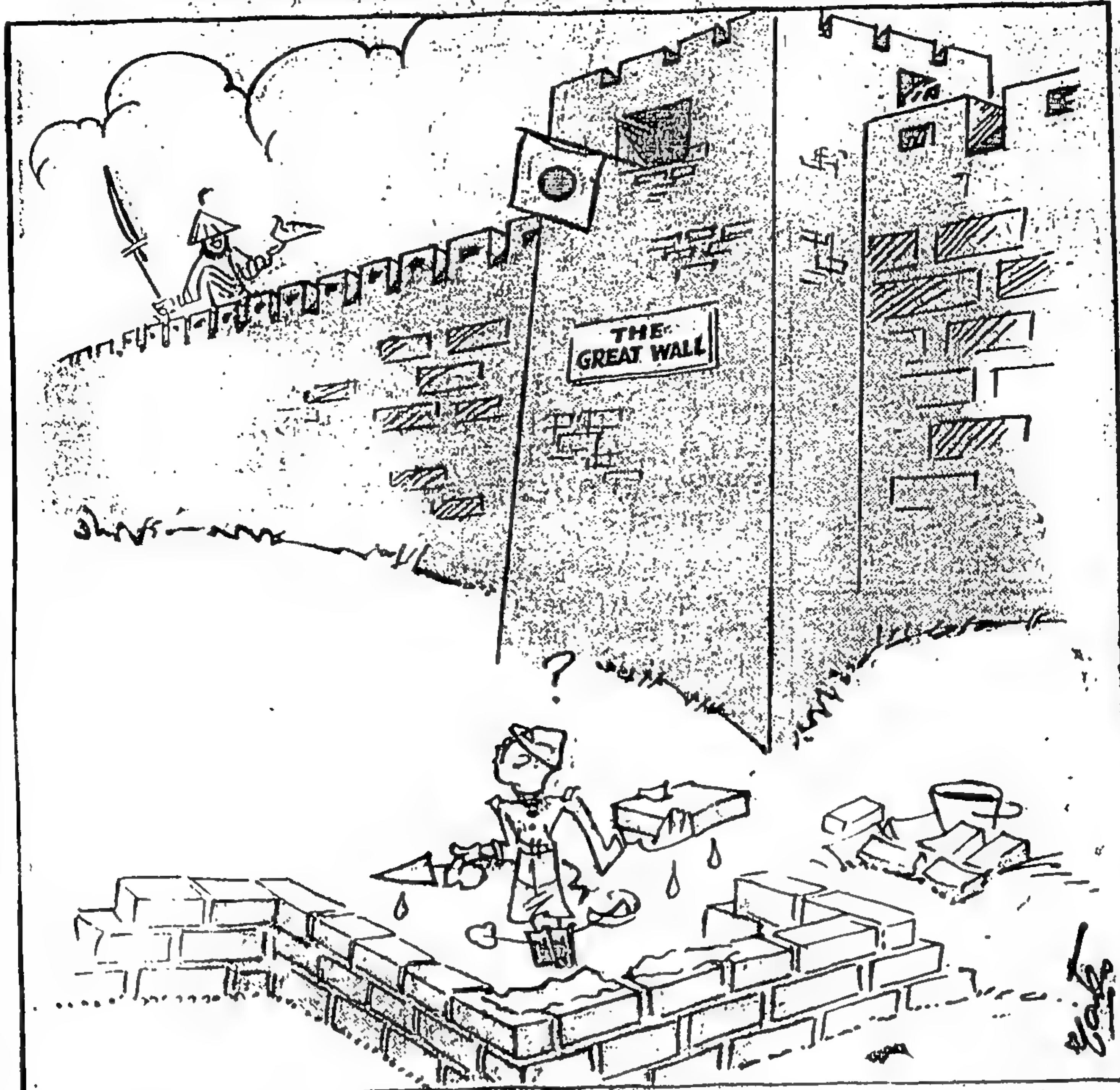
Axis propagandists assert that the people of the United States are disunited and not behind the President in his foreign policy. They argue that the United States can neither fight a war on its own behalf nor contribute effectively to the resistance of the nations which are fighting now against aggression and the rule of force.

In arriving at these conclusions the Axis propagandists also take much too short a view. It is undeniably true that there has been some let-down in the anxiety of both Congress and the American people during recent weeks. This is the direct consequence of the fact that the war suddenly turned east at the end of June, since which time the German armies have been fully occupied in Russia. But this is merely a temporary shift of front; and the Axis ought to have no illusions about American policy in the future, after what has been demonstrated. This let-down is only a small dip in a line that has been moving forward and that will continue to move forward.

The change in American sentiment as the war progressed has been tremendous. Two years ago, it was thought that America was committed irrevocably to a cold and anemic neutrality. The commitment was unreal. She has abandoned that neutrality. She has repealed the arms embargo which made it impossible for friends abroad to obtain the weapons of self-defence. She is now supplying those weapons at her cost, gladly and gratefully. She has taken steps which would have seemed incredible to the Axis Powers when the war began: making the Lease-Lend Act, with its far-reaching implications, the foundation of foreign policy; made Iceland an American base; raised an army by conscription for the first time in peacetime history; put fifty destroyers directly into British service; used merchant ships to carry war supplies to the British Near Eastern front, and last but not least the shooting order to the Navy. What is more the United States have reached a point at which more and more people are beginning to see clearly that, far from being "too weak to fight"—if fight she must—America is superbly equipped in those weapons which she would be called upon to use.

In the development of American opinion toward the issues of this war there have been periods of pause, during which the nation stopped to take account of measures already adopted and there have been periods of momentary relaxation, when some new and unexpected development, such as Hitler's excursion into Russia, seemed to lighten the pressure of immediate danger. But there has been no departure from the main line. That line has led, steadily and unmistakably and irresistibly, towards a closer association with those nations which are fighting for their freedom and toward the use of American power as the decisive factor in the winning of this war.

"WHAT! TRYING TO ENCIRCLE YERSELF?"



(It is reported from Shanghai that the Japanese are constructing an 18-foot-high wall from Tientsin for a hundred miles, along the coast, running parallel with the railway, as a protection against guerillas.)

Nazi Agents Busy In East

NAZI agents employing familiar pressure techniques are hard at work in Japan, and less visibly in China, attempting to impel the Far East down a path marked out by Berlin as essential to the imposition of its pattern of conquest in this vital segment of the world.

Japan, as the main instrumentality chosen by Hitler to further his Far Eastern ambitions, teems with Nazi agents.

Nobusuke Kishi, former Japanese Vice-Minister of Commerce and Industry, is reported from Tokyo to have found an influx of German travellers in Japanese-occupied portions of China and in Manchukuo. He has just returned from a tour there. Writing in the Tokyo newspaper "Nichi Nichi," Mr. Kishi reported:

"One thing I particularly noticed in China was the number of German travellers. No matter how far I went into China Germans were trying to establish economic rights."

Japanese nationals in China have increased "five or 10 times," but Mr. Kishi added they were doing little "in the way of economic establishment."

Describing Hankow as "the first line of Japanese military activities," Mr. Kishi reported that "many British and American factories are closed, but the Germans are establishing themselves firmly."

Reservations By Japanese

For a variety of reasons, Japan has been selected by Nazi strategists as their chief Far Eastern tool. The Japanese, with Oriental cynicism, have accepted a place in the Hitlerian orbit under full reservations against the day when this pact of convenience might be scrapped, as was the one between Germany and Soviet Russia.

Nazi Germany's most immediate strategic aim in the Pacific—immobilising the United States Navy and, as much as possible, other Allied power as possible—accounts for the preponderance of Nazi attention to Tokyo instead of to China.

That China is not being overlooked in the larger strategic picture as seen from Berlin is indicated by the presence of Nazi agents. German sources say that about 4,000 Germans are in China to-day, about half of them in Shanghai. This figure includes casual residents and businessmen as well as more active Nazis.

Doubtful On Influence

Due to the difficulty of obtaining ship accommodations from the United States, and due to the fact that it is virtually impossible for

any large number of Germans to arrive in China from the homeland, it is not felt that the influx of Germans can take on the character of a political "infiltration." It is not in evidence that the Germans are exerting any appreciable influence on the Wang Ching-wei puppet regime at Nanking, or on the Japanese in China, although Berlin's recent recogni-

tion of Mr. Wang resulted in a flareup in comradely feeling.

The Japanese are angered because the Germans in evacuating Chungking refuse to supply information.

Berlin ordered German businesses in Shanghai to hold tight to present stocks, purchase additional supplies, and await eventualities in anticipation of German control over the Trans-Siberian Railway, but many lack funds and are therefore selling their stocks in order to meet current expenses.

Nazi firms discharged many non-German employees such as Russians and Chinese, but German staffs were not affected.

Large Increase Recently

Germans say the number of their nationals in China was about the same last year due to constant travel homeward via the Trans-Siberian Railway. However, recently there undoubtedly has been a large increase.

Due to the fact that Atlantic travel is impossible, many Germans in the United States and in Latin America who were travelling homeward used the Pacific and the Trans-Siberian line.

The outbreak of the Russo-German war therefore marooned many Germans in Shanghai, and in Japan. Recently many Nazis in Free China have been coming to Shanghai following the rupture of Chungking-Berlin relations. There are also some from Manila, plus Vladivostok consular officials.

The Netherlands Indies recently released hundreds of Nazi women and children held in internment camps, of which the majority are

now in Japan but many in Shanghai.

"Thought Offenders"

Meanwhile institution of a system of virtual concentration camps in Japan, one of the few hallmarks of totalitarianism heretofore missing in that country, is under way. Prisoners will mostly be "thought offenders," a term used to describe liberals, Communists, and any other persons ideologically out of step with the national policies of the moment.

Ordinarily in the past "dangerous thinkers" have been picked up by police on suspicion and subjected to extensive grilling. Those believed to constitute a dangerous element have been held for years, without trial frequently, and the goals of Japan to-day are jammed with liberal college professors, political workers, students and others. Many have been freed after confessing a change of heart which the authorities believe is genuine; others prefer to suffer for their intellectual crimes.

It has suddenly been realised, however, that some "dangerous thinkers" in the past were given legal gaol terms which are about to end and that they still refuse to admit the error of their ways. The question therefore arose as to what to do with such persons and the concentration camp scheme—disguised as "preventive detention stations"—was hit on as the answer, undoubtedly with some Nazi prompting.

A Communist group whose 10-year term expires this autumn and which maintains its ideology intact will be the star attraction. They are reported "to have shown active resistance to the efforts of the prison authorities to convert them."

Preventive Detention

Once in the "preventive detention station" the unreconstructed "dangerous thinkers" can be kept there indefinitely until the authorities are convinced they have been converted.

The concentration camp, harsh as it may seem, is actually hailed as evidence of Japanese humanitarianism. Original suggestions would have instituted capital punishment for those released offenders who refused to change their thinking.

In an interview with the Tokyo "Nichi Nichi," Yoshiro Nakamura, head of the first camp set up in connection with the Tokyo penitentiary, declared that such an idea was repugnant to the Japanese since "Japan is not the Soviet Union or Germany, where, we are told, they condemn thought offenders of the darkest hue to capital punishment."

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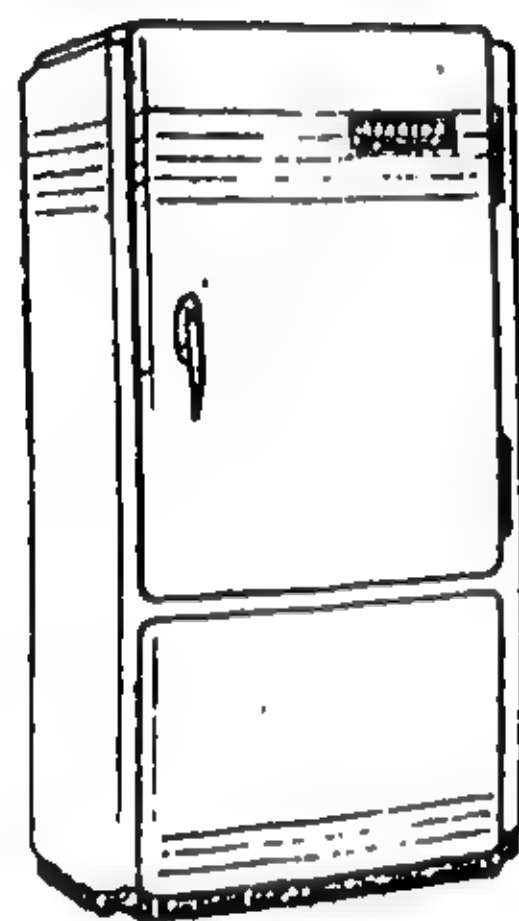
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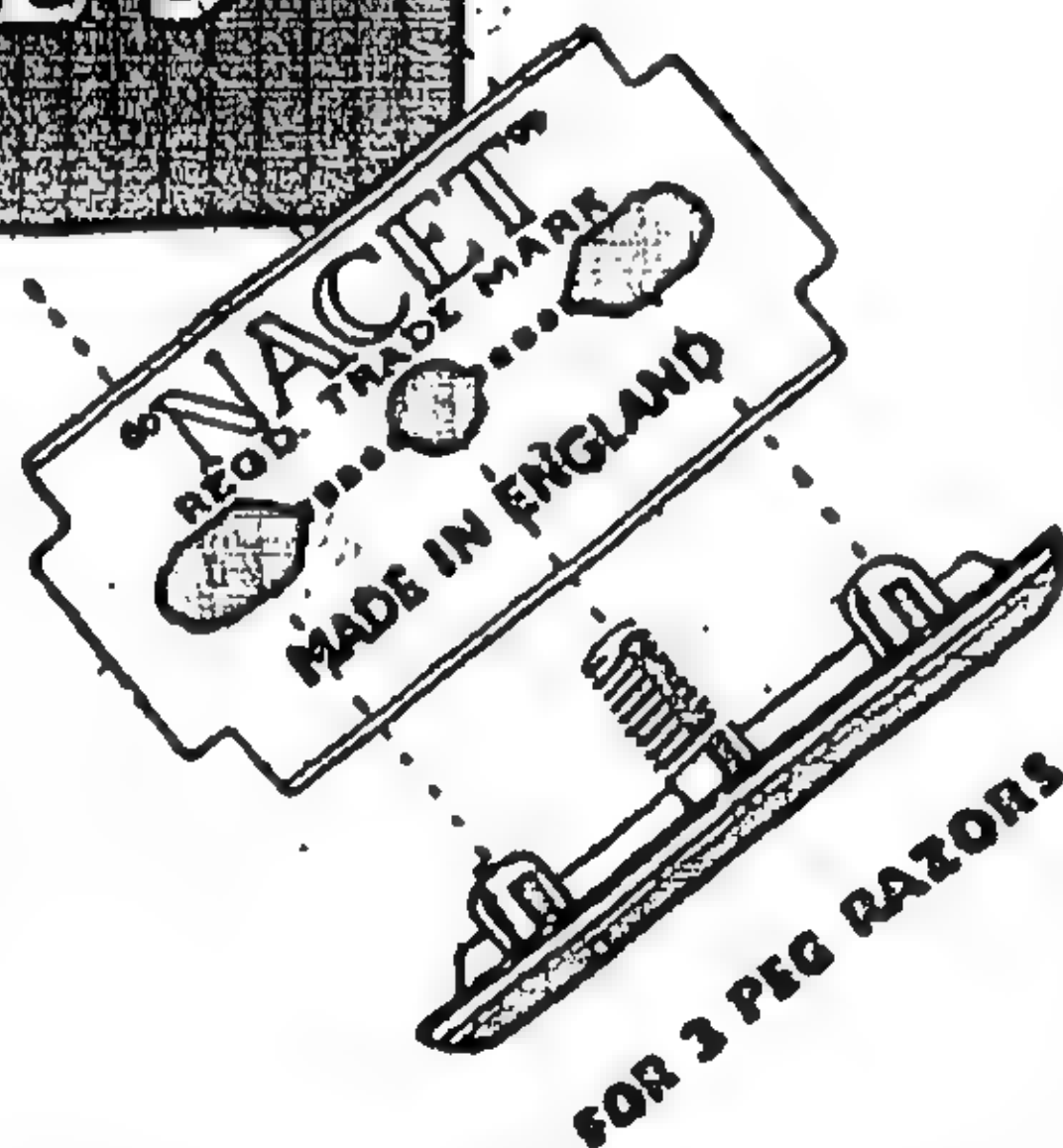
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SOUTHWARD BOUND

"Where was that?"
"Peterborough. Only one more hour to King's Cross."
"Good. Wonder how Town's looking these days."
"Pretty good; I should say. Any place would look good after a spell of the Northern Patrol. What are you going to do?"
"Oh, the usual things. Art galleries. Museums. Feeding the ducks in St. James's Park."
"Neither am I. I'm going to step high, wide and handsome in spite of the bombs. By the time I've finished the metropolis will be painted a chaste crushed strawberry."

"Well. Well. Boys will be boys. Only beware of pickpockets, don't play billiards with strangers for money, and always wear flannel next your skin."

"I hear you, uncle. And now, take a tip from me. Try and remember this time to mix some Rose's Lime Juice with your gin. Or take a long one to wind up the seemly fun and games. There's no time for mornings-after on a seven days' leave."

"First sensible thing you've said since we crossed the Forth Bridge. I shall adhere to Rose's Lime Juice like a barnacle to an Italian battleship."

ROSE'S, THE WISE MAN'S NIGHTCAP

DAVID WALKER SAYS:—

BRITAIN FIGHTS EIGHTY MILLION BEASTS

THEY WERE CHASING OLD JEWS DOWN THE STREET TOWARDS THE POLICE STATION — OLD BEARDED JEWS WHO CLUNG TO THEIR HATS AND SHUFFLED PITIFULLY ALONG THE GUTTERS.

At the police station, the Nazi police took off their steel helmets and I watched them smash in the faces of these old men, till each fell unconscious to the ground.

The crowd — a Viennese crowd — stood and laughed on the pavement opposite. When a Jewish girl tried to save her father from brutality they rolled her face in the gutter mud, and kicked her on the ground.

That was my introduction to Nazism in practice — November, 1938, just a year before war broke out.

Since then I have been abroad all the time, in many of the countries where the sadistic Prussian claw has brought with it the carrion stench of the Nazi vulture — in Danzig, Poland, Rumania, Bulgaria, Greece, Yugoslavia and Spain.

I have seen the beast in action. It's grand to be home again — but there is one thing about England I do not understand. There still seem to be people who think that Germany is peopled with amiable fools misled by a single lunatic.

People who keep assuring me: "Of course, Jerry himself is a good chap. It's Hitler we're after."

Absolute bunkum.

WE ARE FIGHTING NOT ONE, BUT 80,000,000 SADISTS.

In Serbia to-day, they are hanging men and young girls on the fruit trees — or at least they hang what is left of their bodies after Nazi "treatment." They love displaying their accomplishments, with a touch of irony.

In January this year, I flew in a German machine back to Bucharest, where the Germans had staged a very effective little revolution.

The bus from the airport passed a number of naked bodies on the famous lime-tree boulevard leading into the town. That afternoon I was taken to the great slaughter house to see the real thing.

On the hooks — where the carcasses of cattle are normally hung — they had impaled hundreds of bodies — men, women and girls, mostly Jewish, whom they had beaten, raped, or slaughtered. On the bodies they hung cardboard notices proclaiming that this was "Kosher Meat."

Nazi Humour

It is hard to believe "Jerry himself is a good chap" after witnessing this master-stroke of Nazi humour.

Earlier in Bucharest they got seven Englishmen, including the man I shared digs with.

Green Shirts, under Gestapo control, amused themselves pulling out the toe-nails of two of them and hanging two others by their arms.

My own friend got off lightest, being stripped naked and kicked till he was unconscious. He showed me the results a few days later when we got him back.

In Danzig I saw Polish girls being taken by force by groups of German youths, who lined up laughingly in sex-crazed queues waiting for their satisfaction.

Stukas' Holiday

I was in Yugoslavia when the Stukas had a holiday. There was no defence, and they came screaming down to 300ft. to machine-gun those heroic Serbian civilians, who — unlike the French — refused to leave their cities or villages and clutter up the roads.

Not Hitler, but the average German airman, came down in those furious screaming dives to murder the old men and women of Serbia.

I was in Bulgaria too, when the Germans came, this time as "friends." They amused themselves with some friendly machine-gunning in any village where the civilians did not toe the line quickly enough.

I saw the sufferings of the bravest of them all — the Greek Tommy and the Greek women; and these sufferings must by now be worse. Frenchmen have told me about the prisons in Spain now run under Axis influence.

Various censorship prevented the truth from being told; but it is something that Britain must know and realise.

Hitler and his 80,000,000 fanatics are one and united.

United in a savagery the world has never known.

"Jerry himself" is no more a good chap than is the snarling sadist of Berchtesgaden. His spirit now has reached them all.

It is "Jerry himself" who is starving and torturing the gagged millions of occupied Europe — "Jerry himself" whom we must wipe off the face of the map.

V

SO BRITAIN FOUGHT ON

Before Dunkirk, when it was feared that less than 20,000 of the B.E.F. would get out of France, the British Cabinet was told by Mr. Churchill that the Navy was still intact and the R.A.F. had shown its mettle.

The Premier advised fighting on to prevent invasion until help arrived from abroad. He invited any Cabinet Minister who disagreed with this plan to resign. None did.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald made this disclosure at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

NECK VEIN CUT, PILOT FLEW HIS BOMBER HOME

A SERGEANT PILOT, a vein in his neck severed by a chance bullet in the raid on Merville Aerodrome, near Lille, brought his badly battered Blenheim bomber safely home. His story was told by the Air Ministry News Service but, as usual, the hero's name was not revealed.

After the pilot was hit his observer pressed his thumb to the vein and partly stopped the flow of blood. The sergeant was able to keep the bomber on an even keel.

An ME. attacked, but the rear gunner shot it to pieces.

The Blenheim was then flying in formation with other bombers, and they were attacked by nine more Messerschmitts which were driven off.

Throughout this the observer was tending the wounded pilot, who, having lost much blood in spite of the pressure on his neck, collapsed in a momentary faint.

Fainted, Collided

His aircraft shot forward among the formation of bombers and collided with one of them, which was turned upside down by the impact. The pilot was able to right it.

TOUGH TOBRUK GARRISON

Strange Life In A
Ruined Town

Here in the desert on the Egyptian - Libyan frontier we look across the enemy-occupied ground separating us from the Tobruk garrison. Thoughts of whom we have perpetually in mind.

News comes in regularly, for the German harassing tactics utterly fail to interrupt sea communications. There is much coming and going, but always a returned member of the garrison gets a lively questioning for details of the troops' strange life in the ruined town.

Tobruk has again been battered by one of the biggest air raids of recent weeks. The garrison remains, according to unanimous testimonies, magnificently spirited and confident in the formidable defences of the perimeter.

Life is hard. Men recall memories of one-time beer-drinking days as a distant golden age, but Tobruk's detestable water is mitigated by the common use now of condensers, improvised from Italian radiators and petrol tins. This water is preferable to the local wells. The rations are abundant, if monotonous.

The raid casualties have been wonderfully few, but 16 Italian prisoners lost their lives when a hospital was bombed the other day. A local newspaper entitled "Tobruk Truth" or "Dinkum Oil" appears daily, based on B.B.C. bulletins. Some time this will command a fancy price.

An indication of the garrison's spirit is given by an unconventional formation known as "bush artillery," made up of cooks, batmen, &c., who have been making use of captured Italian guns and ammunition as a diversion from their normal duties.

More or less by the light of nature they have acquired something of gunnery, and have scored successes with tip and run shoots. Not only Australia but England, Scotland, and Canada are represented in the Tobruk division that is now testifying to the toughness of our race.

When the formation arrived over Britain the wounded pilot, feeling he was unable to carry on, told his crew to bale out. They persuaded him to let them stay while he attempted a landing.

The leader of the formation ordered the Blenheim to break away and make for the nearest aerodrome.

When the pilot tried to put his flaps down ready for landing the aircraft immediately went into a spin. One flap had been shot away.

But he still retained sufficient strength to correct the spin and bring the Blenheim down safely. The pilot, now in hospital, is expected to recover.

Germany Must Be Rendered Harmless After War

THE NECESSITY of "organised force and sufficient force in the right hands to prevent a repetition of what we went through in 1914-1918 and of what we are going through now," was stressed by the Minister of Economic Warfare, Mr. Hugh Dalton, in a speech at a National Council of Labour demonstration yesterday.

"The Germans and their associates," said Mr. Dalton, "must be deprived of weapons and of the power to quench the hope of peaceful, happy and industrial lives in all their neighbours, as they have twice quenched it in our generation."

He added that aggressor peoples must not be deprived of work and wages or of their own hopes to live "peaceable, happy and industrious lives."

Regarding immediate needs Mr. Dalton said: "Our thoughts are with our Russian allies who are putting up so gallant a resistance to the German hordes. We have already sent them much assistance in many forms."

Total Victory

"British aircraft, flown by British pilots, have been in action not only in the West but on the Russian front."

"We must each according to our capacity do our utmost to strengthen Russian resistance."

"The war aim of the British Labour movement and the whole British people is total victory over Hitlerite Germany."

"In Europe we have many allies in the enslaved populations of occupied territories. The Prime Minister has now made me, together with the Foreign Secretary and the Minister of Information, responsible for British propaganda to enemy and enemy occupied territories."

"Our aim is to sustain the morale of all who to-day dwell unwillingly under the hideous shadow of the swastika. To all these we declare we mean to rid their lands of the invader with all his bestial apparatus of torture, tyranny and totalitarian thieving."

Organised Plenty

"The Germans to-day are stealing from their victims food, clothing and all the necessities of life."

"Our peace aims now take shape in a new order very different both from what Hitler plans and from what we knew before the war. The main lines are laid down in the Atlantic Charter."

"On the economic side our peace aim is organised plenty, nationwide and worldwide, with access for all on equal terms to necessary raw materials. All must have social security and be assured of freedom both from want and fear."

"In our new order there must be no more mass unemployment, no more mass poverty. Science and planning must support improved labour standards in all lands."—British Wireless.

FATHER AND BABY VANISH

Police and search parties are scouring Durham villages and Woods for Frank Henry Varden, 37, and his son William, 2½, who left their home in Forsythe Road, Jesmond, Newcastle-on-Tyne, for a walk and have not been seen since.

Mrs. Varden told the "Daily Mirror": "My husband is highly strung. Something must have happened in his mind."

"I have had a letter from him dated Monday, bearing Chester-le-Street postmark, in which he said he and Billy were spending their last day together and that I would never see them again."

"We were happy and both adored the baby."



Congressman John Lawton in "The Ramparts We Watch," is portrayed by a lecturer and educator who had never faced a movie camera. Showing at the King's.

ABORTIVE ATTACK INTO EGYPT

THE ABORTIVE CHARACTER OF LAST WEEK'S ENEMY OPERATIONS AGAINST TOBRUK IS WELL ILLUSTRATED BY DETAILS OF COMPARATIVE LOSSES NOW AVAILABLE IN AUTHORITATIVE QUARTERS IN LONDON.

The attacks were repelled by armoured cars, infantry and artillery with air cooperation. No British tanks were engaged.

The R.A.F. lost one bomber and six fighters (5 fighter pilots being saved) while enemy plane casualties were 22 destroyed or captured, nine probably destroyed and nine others damaged.

The enemy lost ten tanks and 15 motor vehicles within the British area while photographs indicate four enemy tanks and three motor vehicles were destroyed by British bombing.

British losses were one armoured car out of action, and several motor vehicles damaged.

The operational account of the action provides an instructive narrative as authoritatively described in London.

"At dawn on September 14, armoured car units which were in observation in front of our desert column south of the escarpment, reported two enemy columns advancing rapidly south-east, parallel with the escarpment at approximately three and twelve miles, respectively, south of it."

"Each appeared to have contained some 40 to 45 tanks accompanied by lorries and infantry."

"Our desert columns fell back according to plan to previously prepared position."

"These positions were dive bombed by JU87's escorted by fighters, two of the former being shot down by our troops."

"Both enemy columns, which had advanced between 15 and 20 miles in one hour and a quarter, were engaged and halted in front of these positions. The enemy then refueled during which both his columns were heavily and successfully bombed."

Counter-Attack

"By 1600 hours the southern enemy column had started to move south and later continued to advance east though engaged by our troops and aircraft."

"In order to avoid being out-flanked our southern-most troops withdrew at about 1800 hours, those further north conforming."

"No contact was made during the night of the 14/15 September and by dawn on the 15 the enemy had already started to withdraw covered by strong fighter patrols."

"By 1300 hours armoured car units had regained the original line of observation but were counter-attacked by 20 tanks at 1500 hours and again withdrew."

"By nightfall our desert columns had returned to their original positions in support of the armoured cars and though patrols made contact with German infantry patrols and tanks near Kiregat during the night of 15/16 September, on the morning of September 16 the dispositions

prior to the operations were re-our forward troops and landing grounds."

Fighters also successfully groundstrafed enemy aircraft and also apparently returned to normal."

"Tactical reconnaissance by fighter and bomber support was excellent and of the greatest value throughout."

Air Activity

"All squadrons of these formations, including Wellingtons and Fleet Air Arm Swordfish and Albacores, took part in the operations."

"During the day of September 14, in addition to eight technical reconnaissances, fighters provided sorties escorting bombers and were on protective patrols over our forward troops and landing grounds."

"Fighters also successfully ground-strafed enemy aircraft concentrations on Gambut aerodrome."

"Bomber sorties included dusk attacks by Swordfish and Albacores and night attacks on Gambut aerodrome."

"On September 15th further reconnaissances were made to locate enemy movements, protected by a fighter sweep."

"Preliminary estimates of enemy casualties are, 20 killed, 50 wounded, 12 prisoners from the Fight Tank Regiment, plus 16 Italian airmen."—British Wireless.



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NOTICE TO MEMBERS

SEVENTH EXTRA RACE
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Saturday, 27th September, 1941.

In view of the number of entries received for the above, it has been decided to divide the race into three sections.

The third section will be race No. 11 and run at 6.50 p.m.

A cash sweep, tickets \$1 each, will be held on this race but "All through" numbers will not participate, and tickets can be purchased only at the Race Course during the Meeting.

By Order of the Stewards,

S. A. SLEAP,

Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 20th Sept., 1941.

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THE SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 27th SEPTEMBER, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms, at \$5.00 for Gentlemen, and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all charges, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box, (Tel. 21920.)

No children or amahs will be admitted to either Enclosure.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The Price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

S. A. SLEAP,

Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 22nd Sept., 1941.

BRIDGE NOTES

BRIDGE SWINDLES—NO. 57

By The Four Aces

Some of the most effective swindles in bridge, as in other matters, can be executed simply by allowing the prospective dupe to deceive himself. For example:

South, Dealer.

Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH:

♠ A J 9 5

♥ A J 9 8

♦ A K Q 7

♣ Q

WEST:

♠ K Q 4

♥ 5 3 2

♦ 6 3

♣ 10 9 8 7 3

EAST:

♠ 10 8 6

♥ 4

♦ J 10 9 8

♣ J 6 5 4 2

SOUTH:

♠ 7 3 2

♥ K Q 10 7 6

♦ 5 4 2

♣ A K

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	6♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		

West knew he would probably make a spade trick sooner or later so opened the ten of clubs, hoping to set up a trick in that suit to be cashed when he got the lead with a spade. South won and immediately drew three rounds of trumps, ending in his own hand.

The play of the clubs and the sight of dummy's diamonds made it perfectly clear to West that the slam could be defeated only if the defence could win two spade tricks. And now let us turn to South's problem.

He could avoid the loss of two spade tricks if the diamonds broke 3-3, for then dummy's last diamond would give him a spade discard. If the diamonds failed to break, he would have to play the spade suit itself to lose only one trick. A finesse of the Jack would succeed only if West held both the King and the Queen, but a finesse of the nine would succeed if West held either King-ten or Queen-ten. The nine, in either case, would force out East's honour, and then a later finesse of the Jack would succeed. This is a standard situation, and the odds are 2 to 1 for the finesse of the nine rather than the finesse of the Jack.

So South, after drawing trumps, immediately led a low spade. West saw that South, if left to his own devices, would probably finesse dummy's nine of spades. So West played his low spade, allowing South to deceive himself. And South did just that: he finessed the nine, losing to East's ten. From there on there was no way he could make his slam contract.

Saturday you were, Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ A Q J 7

♥ K 9

♦ J 10 8 5 4

♣ Q 2

The bidding:

Schenken	You	Mayer	Jacoby
Pass	10	Pass	1♥
1♠	(1)	Pass	

ANSWER: Pass. By so doing, you inform your partner that you do not hold substantially more than a minimum opening bid. If he has a good hand, he will have another chance to show it. A penalty double is quite risky.

Score 100% for pass, 60% for double, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 827

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

Schenken	You	Mayer	Jacoby
Pass	10	Pass	1♥
1♠	Pass	Pass	2♦
Pass	(1)		

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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BRITAIN'S HUMAN DOORMATS

(BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

A new method of crossing one type of barbed wire without cutting it was demonstrated by infantrymen recently. During a practice assault one man in six flung himself bodily at coils of the wire, protecting his face with his helmet.

He then lay on the crushed wire, a human doormat, while his comrades passed over or round him, and pressed home a bayonet attack. It was remarkable that this drastic method caused no greater injury than minor scratches and a few torn battle dresses. The soldiers who gave this display were members of one of the Army's newest formations, a reconnaissance battalion, known colloquially as a "Rocky" unit. This battalion, formed only six months ago on a German model, is equipped with Bren carriers and armoured cars.

Its officers and men were recruited from several units, and they still wear their original badges. Soon they will have a distinctive badge of their own.

Tackled Armoured Car

I saw illustrations of the many roles that this battalion will fulfil. These included trapping an armoured car in a narrow lane and destroying it with land-mines, bombarding crossroads at long range with a 3-in. mortar, and storming an anti-tank gun with infantry, using a smoke-screen.

On Sussex heaths, scout platoons and an infantry platoon showed their skill as modern light cavalry. "Enemy paratroops" began the affair by ambushing one of our fast scouting cars as it went to reconnoitre.

The "paratroops," concealed in scattered posts among the heather, then met a general attack by the Bren carriers, which, widely deployed, advanced under cover of a dense smoke-screen, supposed to have been laid by mortar fire.

SUMMONSES AGAINST EDITOR DISMISSED

Summonses against the editor of "The Aeroplane," Mr. Colston Shepherd, and the Temple Press, Ltd., Bowling Green-lane, E.C., alleging the publication of information, which might be directly or indirectly useful to an enemy, were dismissed at Bow Street Police Court under the Probation of Offenders Act.

Sir Robert Dummett said: "The directors may leave the court



Dieting Dot says the time she spends counting calories should qualify her for a job in accountancy.

FINE CUT 'AS BONUS'

To encourage defendants to attend police courts in minor cases magistrates in West Country towns are offering "reduced fines."

"The normal fine for this offence is £1, but as you attended to-day you will be fined only 15s." is a frequent comment by a chairman.

But workers in war industries, many of whom have been summoned for minor motoring offences, resent the practice.

"It means that we have to waste hours of valuable time, or else pay the maximum fine," a war factory executive, recently fined, told the "Daily Mirror."

If all of those summoned attended court considerable delays would occur. If I had attended I should have held up a whole department. My case was not called until late afternoon, yet I was summoned to appear at 11 a.m.

"Magistrates are unpatriotic in offering a 'bonus for attendance' in the case of warworkers. They are satisfying their own vanity at national expense."

"What useful purpose is served when a fellow who left his car without lights admits he did it and then wastes time in court? Surely a letter of explanation should be accepted without penalisation in such cases?"

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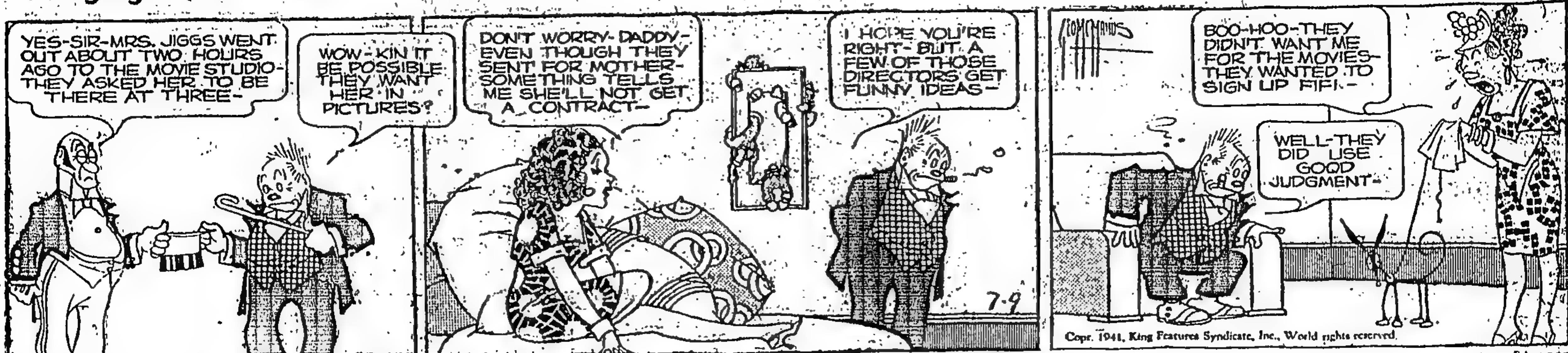
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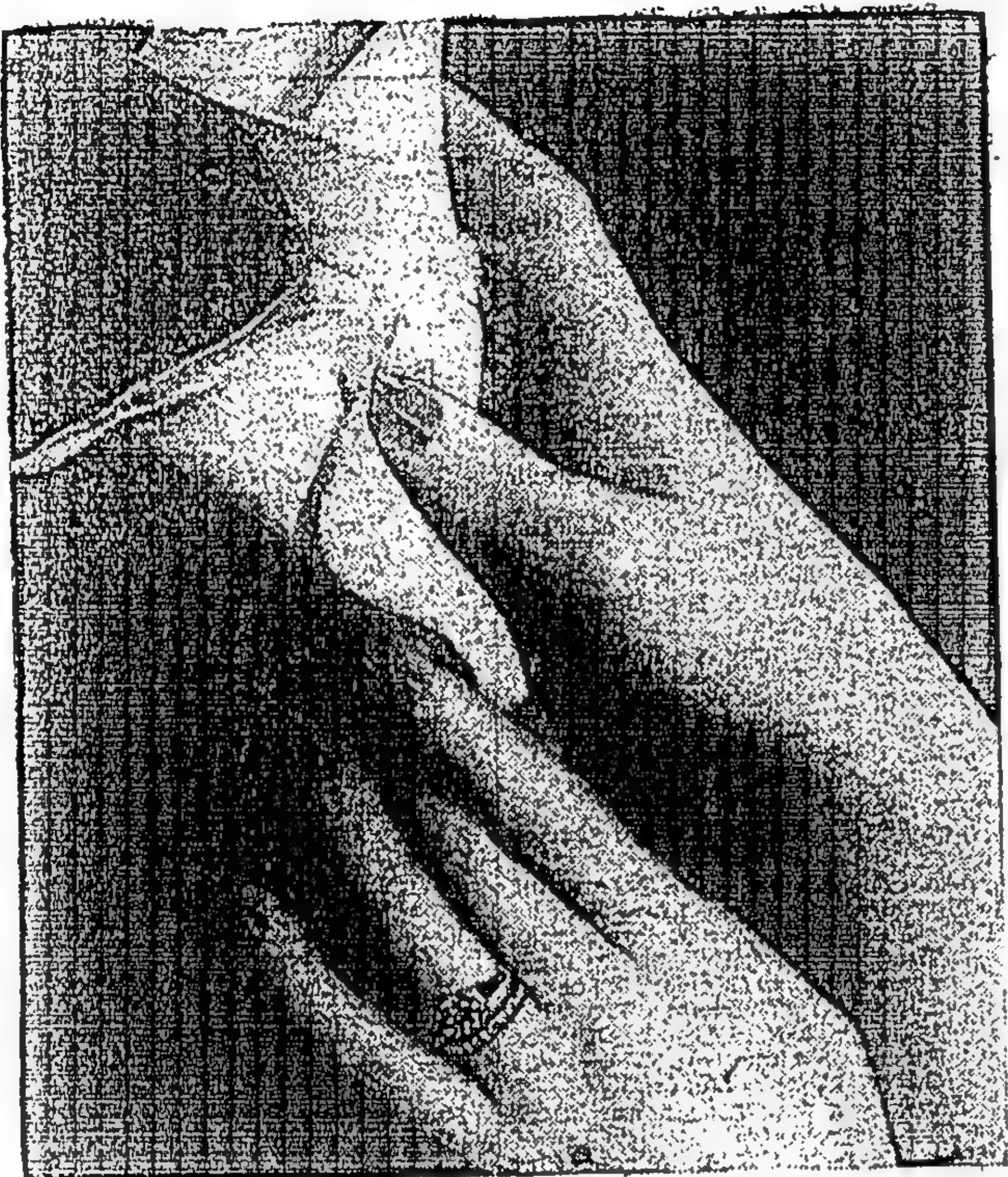
Notes For September Brides

For a lot of girls the Summer of 1941 was a romantic one, and right now they are planning September or October weddings. Love has made them ever so conscious of their beauty and they are adopting a daily routine to step up their native beauty.

In that routine should be at least ten minutes for hand beauty. For aren't those hands playing a pretty important role at the wedding? Right now, ten to one, the left hand is the proud possessor of a pretty ring and foolish is the girl who does not make it a fitting background for that token of his adoration.

It is truly miraculous how hands respond to a little care. Roughened, discoloured, or overtanned skin can be softened and bleached by the daily or nightly application of a specific corrective cream or lotion. Having a lemon handy in the bathroom, or on the kitchen shelf, to rub over the hands after brushing them, does wonders in beautifying the skin.

Using a pair of rubber gloves while working protects the hands and nails from grime and stains. And do not complain that rubber gloves make your hands sweat, for that is good for them. Just rinse them in very cold water when you pull off the gloves and massage them with a lotion or cream.



A brilliant-cut diamond solitaire, with wedding band set with small diamond brilliants, are fitting tribute to these hands of rare beauty.

Lily Hands Men Love

Say what you please, most men really like maidenly, soft, white hands, with rosy tips and a faint trace of fragrance about them! And that lily-look is not exclusively for hands of leisure for most brides-to-be of 1941 have work to do, and they do it! Any hands can acquire soft, fair skin, well-groomed nails and a tender touch! Even birth marks and other permanent skin blemishes

may be expertly covered up by a special cream or a darker shade of powder base.

There is also on your cosmetic counter a Hand Masque which does the same work, and is applied in the same way, as a face masque. Using this once every week helps greatly.

Naturally no hands can be lovely to look at, or lovely to touch if the nails are not perfectly groomed. With the implements available to-day, and the lotions

and soaps for disturbed cuticle, there is little excuse for any woman not to have nicely manicured nails. She may polish them with a natural, rosy or vivid hue, as she pleases, or merely buff them, but they should be well shaped and free of hangnails. Many women use that new protective wax.

Women who get places frequently "wash" their hands in a fragrant cologne and allow the air to dry them, just before going out to a gala party. Others put perfume beneath their nail tips with an orange stick after washing them with a heavily perfumed soap. If you want fragrance to linger, spray perfume inside of your gloves—cotton or kid.

This Is Friendship

On my mantelpiece, with the clover-coloured china pig, stands a little rose-patterned cup and saucer. Most people, seeing it, think it is a sentimental relic of a doll's tea set.

It is a relic of something much more important—a friendship.

It began when I was a child of three or four and the other girl a little older. My mother, baby sister Joan and I were staying with the other child's parents, who had what I thought the most beautiful garden I had ever seen with a quaint little chalet of a summer house at the far end.

The other child and I got the idea that Queen Mab and her fairy troop lived in this.

We spent days in composing letters to the Queen, "posted" them in the chalet every evening and raced down each morning to see if they had gone.

They always had, and sometimes there would be an answering letter from Queen Mab, or candies from oldhand and, last of all and most treasured, a little rose-patterned cup and saucer for each of us.

We really did believe these were magic gifts. We kept the little cups and often when we were grown up, we smiled to gether over them.

The other girl died a few days ago. And afterwards, I noticed her little china cup, still in its usual place.

I came home and looked at my own cup and thought, "That love-

ly bit of the past is finished now." I felt suddenly lonely.

Thinking it over, I realised that all true friendship is based on shared experiences.

You know a person who is fun to do things with... to go to a show with. But you aren't quite friends.

And then, without either of you realising what is happening, the show turns out to hold some message for the two of you; the job blossoms out with possibilities that you never knew it held.

And, because these things have suddenly become important to both of you because you have shared something that matters, you are no longer acquaintances... you are friends—for good.

Shared experiences can bind friends together, as well as happy ones.

I didn't set out to find a moral, but there is a moral in all this for lonely folk. It is—live life fully, keep the windows of your soul open to the breezes of experience.

You will find much happiness. You will probably find sorrows, since these too are part of life. But you will certainly find friends, in the people who share the exciting things, the lovely moments, the moments of courage and humour and beauty with you.

And that is going to be the message of my little rose-patterned cup.

Sunday School's Just A Joke!

Many parents think this when they look back and remember the days when they sat on hard wooden forms and learnt texts off by heart or listened to the teachers drooping out parables which they didn't understand.

They can't recall any real good thing going to Sunday School did them, but some think, oh, we'll send Johnny and Mary as soon as they are old enough so that we can get a peaceful hour or so on Sunday afternoons.

Other parents grumble that their children don't learn anything worth while. They've forgotten what Christianity is and they forget too that most Sunday School teachers serve without pay and give up a great deal of time—even though they're busy people—to preparing lessons and ideas.

Then, on a day when they could be doing something for themselves, they cheerfully get off to spend some hours in the morning or afternoon trying to interest and amuse a lot of unruly children, whose parents maybe haven't even taught them obedience or courtesy. The hours spent in Sunday School are now more valuable than they ever were because, un-

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By ED REED



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less you are a very exceptional parent, religious teaching in the home exists only in a very minor way.

Knowing this, you ought to send your child to Sunday School. But it is not fair to send him or her with the idea that it's all a game and good behaviour doesn't matter.

That's just a way of passing on to a stranger your responsibility of teaching your child good manners.

Send your children to Sunday School with the knowledge that they are going to hear something worth knowing, and the lessons they learn will stand them in good stead all their lives.

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12.30 p.m.—Eddie Carroll (Piano) and

His Orchestra.

One O'Clock Jump (Count Basie).

Lullaby in Rhythm (Hirsch-Good-

man-Sampson).

Eddie Carroll and His Swing-

phonic Orchestra.

Harlem (Carroll's Signature Tune).

The Lady Craves Attention (Car-

roll).

Eddie Carroll.

You're Looking For Romance (Nel-

burg-Levinson).

In Cherry Blossom Lane (Burke).

Eddie Carroll and His Casani

Club Orchestra.

Fox-Trot Medley—Intro: I'm Stop-

ping Out With A Memory To-

night; All The Things You

Are; Until You Fall In Love.

Waltz Medley—Intro: The Rose of

Tralee; All Alone; By The

Sleepy Lagoon.

Eddie Carroll.

Night Ride (arr. Phillips).

Eddie Carroll and His Swing-

phonic Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Pro-

gramme Summary.

1.02 p.m.—Alexander Kipnis (Bass)

Singing Two Schubert Songs.

Hedge Rose (Op. 3 No. 3); Impa-

tience (Op. 25 No. 7).

1.07 p.m.—Schubert—Moment Musi-

caux.

Ethel Leginsko (Pianoforte solo).

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press and

Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Elsie Randolph and Jack

Buchanan in Variety.

Vocal—"Brewster's Millions" (No-

ble and Fuber).

Jack Buchanan and Gerald and

His Orchestra.

Organ—In A Clock Store (Orth).

Terence Casey.

Vocal Duet—Now That I've Found

You.

Fancy Our Meeting (Both from

the film "That's A Good Girl").

Elsie Randolph and Jack Buch-

anan with Orch.

Orchestra—The Parade of The

Tin Soldiers (Jessel).

Prosperity Medley—Intro: Great

Day; There's A Big Day Com-

ing; Hallelujah.

Philip Green and His Orchestra.

Vocal—Let's Put Some People To

Work (From "When Knights

Were Bold"—Sigler-Hoffman).

Jack Buchanan with Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quo-

tations.

6.47 p.m.—Anton and The Paramount

Theatre Orchestra and Les Allen.

Bell Medley—Intro: Bells Across

The Meadow (Ketelbey); Mon-

astery Bells (Wely); Voice of

The Bells (Thurman); Fire Bell

(Kempinski); Legend Of The

Bells (Planquette); The Bells

Of St. Mary's (Adams).

Anton and The Paramount Thea-

tre Orchestra.

Ride Tenderfoot Ride (From film

"Romance and Rhythm").

Les Allen (Vocal) with Novelty

accomp.

"Banjo On My Knee"—Selection.

"Champaigne Waltz".

Anton and The Paramount Thea-

tre Orchestra.

When Old Friends Meet Again

(Tobias and Potter).

Don't Kiss Me Goodnight (David

and Mayer).

Les Allen with Orchestra.

Ray Noble Medley—

Intro: Brighter Than The Sun;

If You'll Say "Yes" Charlie;

Love Is The Sweetest Thing;

By The Fireside; What More

Can I Ask; Why Stars Come

Out; At Night; The Very

Thought Of You; Good-night

sweetheart.

Anton and The Paramount

Theatre Orchestra.

7.17 p.m.—Billy Thornburn at the

Piano.

Fox-Trot Medley—Intro: Little Old

Lady; Please Remember So

Many Memories.

Waltz Medley—Intro: Glannina Mia;

Don't Forget The Old Folks At

Home; When I Heard The Or-

gan Play.

Quick Step Medley—

Intro: If I Didn't Care; A New

Moon And An Old Serenade;

The Pretty Little Quaker

Girl; Summer Sweetheart;

GIRLS TOLD TO GIVE JOBS TO ELDERS

GIRLS NOT doing war jobs must give up their present jobs to the older women and go into war work or the Services.

The demand was made by Sir Frank Tribe, Deputy-Secretary of the Ministry of Labour.

He said the demand for women in war industries and the women's services was great and the number of volunteers was small.

"Women," he said, "are not too old at 40. They might not be too old for some jobs at 60."

For instance, a young woman of 20, who might be working in a boot and shoes shop, should be prepared to undertake more vital work, leaving her place to be

taken by an older woman unable to leave her home district.

Compulsion in sending young women into war work, or Services, had not yet been exercised to any great extent.

Time was given to those who registered to choose where they preferred to go, but those who did not make the choice in a reasonable time would not be lost sight of.

Homes Hit Work

Thousands of married women thrown out of work by the closing of Lancashire cotton mills under the Government concentration of industry scheme, have gone back home instead of into war industries as planned.

They are refusing to "sign on" at the Labour Exchanges on learning that they are required to work away from home. "Labour is thus being dissipated instead of utilised to the full," says the quarterly report of the Card, Blowing and Ring Room Operatives a Lancashire trade union.

BOMB CRAWL HERO

A German plane, laden with bombs, crashed on to two houses and buried the residents. A man made a hole in the rubble, crawled through, and found some bombs in the debris and others on the rack of the plane.

Ignoring the danger he removed the live bombs and dug until he reached one of the buried persons.

He stayed in the hole and worked until overcome by fumes after two hours.

The man, William Harold Willson, 34 of Bromley, Kent has been awarded the George Medal.

"There were thirty-four bombs in all, and we laid them in the gutter."

"Shrapnel" was falling all around us and another Jerry dropped five bombs seventy yards away, but we were too intent on our work to bother."

Another George Medal goes to James Armstrong, 18, of Bootle, Lancs.

Blown Off Bicycle

Regardless of falling bombs and raging fires, Armstrong has delivered messages although not in robust health.

Once he was blown by blast from his bicycle.

When incendiary bombs started a fire, Armstrong got a length of hose and a ladder, and from a dangerous position played the hose on to the fire.

Seven women are among those honoured in a list which includes six M.B.E.s, ten George Medals, thirty-seven British Empire Medals and thirty-nine commendations.

Mrs. Margaret Rowena Jones, 25, warden—known as "Sunshine" to her A.R.P. colleagues—wins the B.E.M. for heroism in a series of Mersey-side blitzes.

Her husband is Corporal Eric Jones 27, of the R.A.S.C. She is recuperating at St. Albans.

But Mrs. C. A. Jones, Eric's mother told the "Daily Mirror": "During one series of blitzes Margaret had no proper sleep for a week, went to work as usual, and kept smiling."

"Her friends told me she bandaged over forty casualties one night."

"She and Eric were married in April. He went abroad two days after the honeymoon."

Wishing; My First Goodnight.

7.30 p.m.—Dance Music from the Films.

Fox-Trot—A Little White Gardenia

(From "All The King's

Horses").

Be Careful, Young Lady (From "All

The King's Horses).

Art Kassel and His Kassel-In-

The-Air.

Rumba Fox-Trot—Serenade.

Fox-Trot—It Happened In The

Moonlight (Both from "Gay

Deceivers").

Jack Jackson and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—I've Got My Eyes On

You.

I Concentrate On You (From

"Broadway Melody of 1940").

Les Brown and His Orchestra.

Quick-Step—I'm Nobody's Baby

(From "Andy Hardy Meets

Debutante").

Oscar Rabin and His Band.

Waltz—Down The Gypsy Trail

(From the Samuel Cummins

production "Ecstasy").

Swing and Sway with Sammy

Kaye.

Fox-Trot—The Reluctant Dragon

(From The Walt Disney Pro-

duction "The Reluctant Dra-

gon").

Swing and Sway with Sammy

Kaye.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Com-

mentary.

8.25 p.m.—London Relay—Listening

Post.

Examination of Points in Daily

German Propaganda.

8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.

8.32 p.m.—De Groot and His Orchestra

with Grace Moore (Soprano).

Der Kasper (De Groot).

De Groot and His Orchestra.

Selection of Chopin Melodies—

Intro: Polonaise in A; Prelude in

A; Waltz in D Flat.

De Groot (Violin), David Bor

(Piano) and Reginald Kil-

bey (Cello).

The Dubarry.

I Give My Heart (From Operetta

"The Dubarry"—Leigh).

Grace Moore with Orchestra.

Waldeufel Memories (arr. Finck).

De Groot and His Orch.

Our Song (From film "When You're

In Love"—Kern-Fields).

Grace Moore with Orchestra.

When The Great Red Dawn Is

Shining (Sharpe).

Zinetta (Geehl).

De Groot and His Orchestra.

9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and An-

nouncements.

9.02 p.m.—This week's programmes.

9.05 p.m.—Light Opera Selections.

A Country Girl—Selection (Lionel

Monckton).

London Theatre Orchestra.

"The Gelsa"—Vocal Gems.

Light Opera Company with Orch.

The Gypsy Princess—Selection

(Kalmán).

De Groot and The New Victoria

Orchestra.

9.30 p.m.—An Orchestral Programme.

Serenade—Valse Espagnole (Motra).

De Pleyus Au Palais D'Angkor

(Mareau).

Orchestra Rugby Goldstein.

Neapolitan Nights (Zamecnik).

The Midnight Waltz (Amadio).

London Novelty Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on

Short-Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—Popular Ballade.

The Organ Blower (McGill-Barker).

Until (Teichmayer-Sanderson).

Dennis Noble (Vocal) with

Piano.

Sweet And Low (Barnby, arr. For-

wood).

Eddie Acidland (Contralto) with

Piano.

Love Sends A Little Gift Of Roses

(Openshaw).

Alfred Piccaver (Tenor) with

Piano.

10.00 p.m.—London—The News and

News Commentary.

10.15 p.m.—Some Brahms Songs.

Sappho Ode.

The May Night.

Maria Olczewska (Contralto) with

Piano.

When I Come With You.

Alexander Kipnis (Bass) with

Gerald Moore (Piano).

10.27 p.m.—Brahms—Double Concerto

in A Minor.

1st Mov.: Allegro.

2nd Mov.: Andante.

3rd Mov.: Vivace non troppo.

Jacques Thibaud (Violin); Pablo

Casals (Cello) and The Pablo

Casals Orchestra—Barcelona

cond. by Cortot.

11.00 p.m.—London—"News From

Home"—Howard Marshall.

11.15 p.m.—Close Down.

HOME SOCCER RESULTS

Following are the results of football matches played at Home on Saturday:

LONDON LEAGUE
Arsenal 4, Tottenham 0; Brighton 2, Brentford 2; Charlton 5, Watford 1; Chelsea 4, Aldershot 0; Millwall 1, Portsmouth 3; Queen's P. R. 2, Fulham 5; Reading 6, Crystal P. 2; West Ham 3, Clapton O. 1.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE SOUTH
Bristol 2, Bournemouth 1; Leicester 3, West Brom. 2; Luton 1, Norwich 4; Northampton 4, Notts. F. 3; Walsall 4, Swansea 2.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE NORTH
Barnsley 1, Lincoln 2; Bradford 2, Sunderland 2; Bury 0, Blackburn 3; Chester 2, Everton 0; Chesterfield 3, Doncaster 1; Halifax 2, Bolton 0; Leeds 5, Gateshead 1; Liverpool 4, Manchester C. 2; Manchester U. 7, Stockport 1; Middlesbrough 5, York 2; Newcastle 3, Huddersfield 1; Preston 7, Oldham 0; Rochdale 1, Burnley 1; Rotherham 3, Bradford C. 1; Wednesday 0, Grimsby 2; Southport 1, Blackpool 5; Stoke 5, Wrexham 2; Tranmere 1, New Brighton 1; Mansfield 2, Sheffield U. 3.

OTHER MATCHES
Scottish XI 1, British Army 2 (at Dumfries); Wolves 2, Birmingham 4.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE SOUTH
Aberdeen 3, St. Mirren 0; Clyde 2, Albion 2; Dumbarton 2, Partick 7; Hamilton 3, Celtic 3; Hearts 2, Motherwell 1; Morton 3, Third Lanark 2; Queen's Park 1, Hibernian 2; Rangers 3, Falkirk 2.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE NORTH
East Dundee 1, Dunfermline 1; East Fife 1, Aberdeen 0; Raith R. 9, Leith 5; St. Bernard's 2, Rangers 3.—Reuter.

SMALL CROWD SEE SOUTH CHINA BEAT ASSOCIATION XI 5-0

THE SURPRISING FEATURE OF THE CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH BETWEEN SOUTH CHINA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION AND THE GOVERNOR'S CUP TEAM AT CAROLINE HILL YESTERDAY WAS NOT THE ONE-SIDEDNESS OF THE GAME—SOUTH CHINA WON 5-0—BUT RATHER THE COMPARATIVELY POOR CROWD THAT ATTENDED.

Over the game itself there was little to enthuse. The Governor's Cup team were two short, and at the last moment Hendy was brought in at outside-left, while Nix, who had not even had experience in League football, but whose activities had been solely confined to Inter-Company games (Middlesex Regiment) very sportingly took Banker's place in goal, the latter being a non-starter owing to an injury sustained the previous day.

For the first 15 minutes of the game play was even, but after Chau Man-chi had opened the scoring for South China play was very one-sided.

Chau ended up by scoring two goals, Lee Wai-long secured a like number and Lau Chung-sang added the fifth, but whereas Chau played a very good game, Lee had an off-day, his two goals being more in the nature of gifts, as on both occasions he received the ball when he had only the goalkeeper to beat.

The contributing feature to South China's win was that whereas they played together as a team, with only one weak link in Chung Yung-sum, at outside-right, the Governor's Cup team were painfully lacking in teamwork, though flashes of individual brilliance were shown by Fraser, at left-back, and Pope at right-half.

Ferrier, at inside-left, had an off day and on more than one occasion might have found the net when well placed, especially early in the second half when, with only the goalkeeper to beat, he shot right into the hands of Tam Kwan-kong, who had no difficulty in clearing.

Fowler, as ever, tried very hard on the right-wing, but too often found himself left with the job of trying to take the ball through on his own. He sent in a couple of stinging shots, from difficult angles on both occasions, but Tam's uncanny anticipation made the clearances appear as though they were quite easy.

Early Opening Goal

CHAU MAN-CHI scored the first goal of the match after play had been in progress only 15 minutes, and Association had a grand chance to equalise shortly after, but Ferrier kicked straight into the hands of Tam. Then Howlett was brought down just outside the penalty area and the referee pointed to the "spot," but the linesman waved his flag and a free kick was awarded from less than a yard outside the area. Nothing resulted from this, and the teams crossed over with South China leading 1-0.

After the interval, LEE WAI-TONG scored twice before CHAU MAN-CHI literally walked the ball into the net after beating Fraser and Blackburn, and five minutes from time LAU CHUNG-SANG scored on the rebound when a stinging shot by Lee Shek-yau hit the upright, the final whistle sounding with South China winners by five clear goals.

South China—Tam Kwan-kong; Tsang Chung-wan and Tse Kam-hung; Lau Hing-choy, Hsu King-sung and Lo Wai-kuen; Chung Yung-sum, Lau Chung-sang, Lee Wai-long, Chau Man-chi and Lee Shek-yau.

Governor's Cup Team—Nix; Blackburn and Fraser; Pope, Bright and Thomas; Fowler, Le Page, Howlett, Ferrier and Hendy.

Referee:—Mr. K. K. Ip.

SOFTBALL RESULTS

Canadian Chinese girls beat Cardinals in a friendly softball game yesterday at Kowloon Football Club by 12 runs to 8. Miss D. Brown, of Cardinals, registered the biggest hit, a three-bagger which brought in two runs. In the men's game, Merry Madcaps beat Mohawks by 4 runs to 3 after an extra inning.

LOVE NO BAR TO WAR WORK

Should a girl war worker who falls in love continue her job or should she get married and settle down?

The answer, Joy Roffey, 20, of Birmingham told the "Daily Mirror" was that she should marry the man she loves and work for her country as well.

Miss Roffey is spending a week's leave as guest of Bath Corporation.

By arrangement of the Minister of Labour she went to convince women of Bristol that it was possible to combine a public and private life without injury to either.

She told the "Daily Mirror": "Leonard Kemp and I fell in love at first sight. We got engaged and now I would not change him for anyone in the world."

Leonard won't hear of my giving up my job.

LEASE AND LEND FOR PARAGUAY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, has signed an agreement with Paraguay providing the extension of an undisclosed amount of Lease and Lend aid.—International News Service.

INDIAN FOOTBALL

Bombay Infantry team drew with Up-Country team in the semi-final of the Rovers' Cup Football Tournament in Bombay yesterday, each side scoring once.—Reuter.

PRINCESS DANCE ACT

Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret did a double-act tap dance in a concert which they organised with the King and Queen and the Duchess of Kent in the audience to raise funds for their knitting party.

Princess Elizabeth was the producer. Soldiers took part, painted the scenery and provided a jazz band.

The Princesses sang duets in French, and besides the double tap dance, led the audience in community singing.

Princess Margaret got terrific applause for an Irish jig and her sister scored a hit with a solo dance.

During sixteen months the Princesses' parties have knitted thousands of socks, pullovers and mittens for the Services.

GAVE UP POST AFTER 4 MONTHS

SIR REARDON SMITH RESIGNED IN JULY FROM THE POSITION OF REGIONAL SHIPPING REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE BRISTOL CHANNEL AREA, TO WHICH HE WAS APPOINTED LAST MARCH.

He was one of three "speed up" chiefs appointed by the Ministry of Shipping.

He is chairman of the Cardiff and Bristol Channel Shipowners' Association and controls one of the largest fleets in the country.

Sir Willie is 54. He is chief of the £1,500,000 Reardon Smith Line.

AFFAIRS OF EX-RECEIVER

A notice of bankruptcy concerning Captain Victor Robert Fletcher, formerly Official Receiver for Brighton, appeared in the London Gazette recently.

Captain Fletcher, who is 53, lives at Bath Road, Worthing.

He was Official Receiver for Brighton for eight years till he resigned last year. He was admitted a solicitor in 1910 and joined the Solicitors' Department of the Board of Trade four years later.

The seventh lecture on Soccer Laws of the Game No. 18, 19 and 20 in connection with Throw-in, Goal-kick and Corner-kick will be given by Mr. J. F. da Silva, Hon. Secretary of Hong Kong Football Referees' Association at Scandol Point Hall to-day at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

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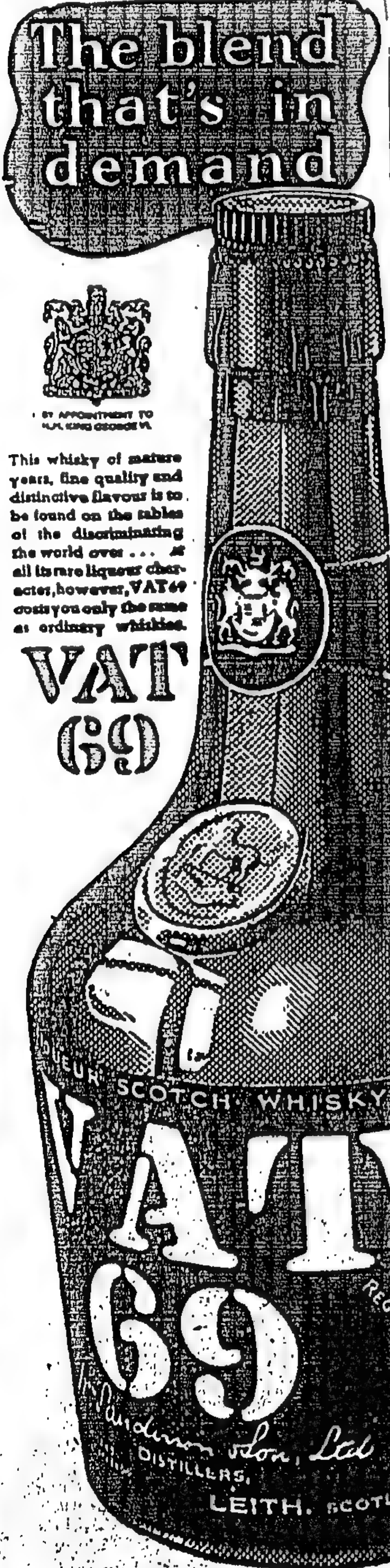
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U. M. Omar (C.C.C.)	18	18	0	0	458	266	192	0	36
B. W. Bradbury (C.C.C.)	17	14	1	2	429	289	140	0	29
J. Shepherd (P.R.C.)	17	12	1	4	369	308	61	0	25
C. B. Rosset (C.C.C.)	16	12	0	4	397	254	143	0	24
M. R. Abbas (I.R.C.)	18	12	0	6	387	327	60	0	24
A. M. Holland (K.B.G.C. "A")	17	11	1	5	381	274	107	0	23
A. J. Hall (K.B.G.C. "A")	17	11	0	6	350	298	62	0	22
A. K. Minu (I.R.C.)	18	9	1	8	374	304	70	0	19
M. N. Bakusen (C.S.C.C.)	17	9	0	8	330	345	0	15	18
R. Duncan (K.B.G.C. "B")	14	8	1	5	307	275	32	0	17
R. F. Luz (Rec. "A")	13	8	0	5	289	232	57	0	16
A. R. Dallah (I.R.C.)	16	8	0	8	326	337	0	11	16
H. A. Alves (Recrelo "A")	8	7	0	1	211	122	89	0	14
A. M. Calman (K.D.R.C.)	10	7	0	3	212	189	23	0	14
F. X. Silva (Rec. "A")	11	6	2	3	224	202	22	0	14
T. A. Madar (K.C.C.)	16	7	0	9	297	333	0	36	14
J. F. V. Ribeiro (Recrelo "A")	6	6	0	0	159	86	73	0	12
C. G. Silva (Rec. "A")	10	6	0	4	204	187	17	0	12
J. McKelvie (K.B.G.C. "B")	12	6	0	6	229	208	21	0	12
A. P. Gutierrez (Rec. "B")	12	6	0	6	231	232	0	1	12
E. C. Fincher (K.C.C.)	16	5	0	11	263	362	0	99	10
C. Roza-Pereira (Recrelo "A")	4	4	0	0	90	57	33	0	8
N. J. Bebbington (K.C.C.)	9	3	2	4	167	180	0	13	8
W. Mair (P.R.C.)	10	4	0	6	184	198	0	14	8
J. C. B. Fender (P.R.C.)	11	3	2	6	204	232	0	28	8
M. Ferguson (K.D.R.C.)	12	4	0	8	215	249	0	34	8
J. J. Basto (Rec. "B")	16	4	0	12	271	340	0	69	8
W. Hollands (P.R.C.)	4	3	0	1	101	67	34	0	6
R. Morrison (K.D.R.C.)	6	3	0	3	110	104	6	0	6
F. Cullen (K.D.R.C.)	10	2	2	6	170	236	0	66	6
J. G. Meyer (K.B.G.C. "B")	12	3	0	9	196	290	0	94	6
J. F. McGowan (C.S.C.C.)	13	2	1	10	221	289	0	68	6
D. M. Khan (I.R.C.)	2	2	0	0	55	24	31	0	4
J. S. Landolt (C.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	59	60	0	1	4
R. A. Peckham (K.B.G.C. "B")	4	2	0	2	67	70	0	3	4
J. Kempton (K.D.R.C.)	4	2	0	2	73	84	0	11	4
J. Fraser (K.C.C.)	7	1	2	4	109	140	0	31	4
L. Guy (K.B.G.C. "B")	9	2	0	7	145	209	0	64	4
C. Strange (C.S.C.C.)	5	1	1	3	92	104	0	12	3
C. A. Lopes (Recrelo)	1	1	0	0	32	9	23	0	2
F. V. Ribeiro (Recrelo "A")	1	1	0	0	27	12	15	0	2
F. Nolan (P.R.C.)	1	1	0	0	26	20	6	0	2
A. M. Rodrigues (Recrelo "B")	1	1	0	0	20	19	1	0	2
J. E. Noronha (Recrelo "B")	2	1	0	1	34	31	3	0	2
L. J. Silva (Recrelo "B")	2	1	0	1	21	40	0	19	2
W. J. Burling (C.S.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	55	73	0	18	2
W. G. G. (K.D.R.C.)	3	1	0	2	46	81	0	35	2
J. W. Deakin (C.S.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	40	76	0	36	2
B. Basto (Rec. "B")	4	1	0	3	62	92	0	30	2
H. Lockhart (K.B.G.C. "B")	5	1	0	4	84	108	0	24	2
L. Sykes (K.B.G.C. "B")	6	1	0	5	101	136	0	35	2
T. Coleman (K.D.R.C.)	8	1	0	7	139	177	0	107	2
E. G. Post (P.R.C.)	8	1	0	7	139	177	0	38	2
C. C. Pereira (Recrelo "B")	2	0	1	1	31	38	0	7	1
J. C. Gill (K.B.G.C. "B")	1	0	0	1	14	23	0	9	0
W. McNeill (K.B.G.C. "B")	1	0	0	1	11	29	0	18	0
J. C. Renedios (Recrelo "B")	1	0	0	1	5	41	0	36	0
C. M. Silva (Recrelo "B")	2	0	0	2	35	47	0	12	0
H. Strange (C.S.C.C.)	2	0	0	2	22	50	0	28	0
A. M. Rodrigues (Recrelo "B")	3	0	0	3	42	72	0	30	0
W. R. Hillier (C.S.C.C.)	4	0	0	4	60	90	0	30	0
G. S. Sherriff (K.B.G.C. "A")	4	0	0	4	64	85	0	31	0
E. W. Simmonds (C.S.C.C.)	4	0	0	4	57	111	0	54	0
E. Souza (Recrelo "B")	6	0	0	6	93	137	0	44	0

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	T.	L.	F.	A.	Up	Dn	Pts
P. Younghusband (K.F.C.)	14	12	0	2	325	209	116	0	24
J. L. Stephens (K. Tong)	15	10	1	4	348	248	100	0	21
W. V. Field (K.F.C.)	12	10	0	2	298	191	107	0	20
A. J. Kew (K. Tong)	15	10	0	5	338	256	82	0	20
T. L. Lock (C.C.C.)	12	8	1	3	264	207	57	0	17
W. Melrose (T.C.)	12	8	0	4	256	224	32	0	16
W. J. Bagley (P.O.C.)	13	8	0	5	189	165	24	0	16
W. MacFarlane (H.K.F.C.)	15	7	1	7	285	285	0	0	15
W. Gill (H.K.F.C.)	13	7	0	6	244	241	3	0	14
G. Gowland (P.O.C.)	14	7	0	7	301	244	57	0	14
A. W. Brown (H.K.C.C.)	14	6	2	6	282	287	0	25	14
G. E. Costello (H.K.C.C.)	15	7	0	8	280	328	0	48	14
E. Kern (K.F.C.)	9	6	0	3	187	176	11	0	12
J. C. Chalmers (T.C.)	11	6	0	5	228	205	23	0	12
H. W. Randall (C.C.C.)	7	5	0	2	144	114	30	0	10
K. S. Robertson (H.K.F.C.)	9	5	0	4	194	152	42	0	10
A. Spary (K.T.G.C.A.)	10	5	0	5	192	183	9	0	10
J. McCutcheon (P.O.C.)	10	5	0	5	275	300	0	25	10
F. Goodwin (H.K.C.C.)	14	5	0	9	270	298	0	28	10
O. P. Remedios (Recrelo)	8	4	1	3	138	157	0	19	9
C. C. Pereira (Recrelo)	8	4	0	4	174	163	21	0	8
W. K. Way (C.C.C.)	9	4	0	5	167	188	0	21	8
R. S. Meadows (K.C.C.)	11	4	0	7	207	250	0	43	8
J. M. Jack (K.C.C.)	7	3	0	4	141	136	5	0	6
W. J. Howard (K. Tong)	5	2	1	2	116	87	29	0	6
A. Steven (K.C.C.)	8	2	1	5	134	191	0	67	5
J. A. Watson (T.C.)	12	2	1	9	172	284	0	112	5
W. Ward (C.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	54	37	17	0	4
N. P. Karanjia (C.C.C.)	4	2	0	2	85	69	16	0	4
W. W. Parsons (K.C.C.)	4	2	0	2	71	81	0	10	4
A. Jillett (P.O.C.)	4	2	0	2	69	94	0	25	4
W. Simpson (K.F.C.)	5	2	0	3	95	99	0	4	4
J. A. Remedios (Recrelo)	6	2	0	4	108	117	0	9	4
T. W. Carr (K.C.C.)	10	2	0	8	153	238	0	85	4
M. J. Medina (C.C.C.)	5	1	1	3	88	113	0	25	3
A. J. Coelho (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	30	15	15	0	2
E. S. Frank (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	19	14	5	0	2
L. A. R. Duncan (H.K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	21	19	2	0	2
T. M. Pils (P.O.C.)	1	1	0	0	18	17	1	0	2
T. Ferguson (K.F.C.)	2	1	0	1	41	33	8	0	2
V. Chittenden (K.F.C.)	2	1	0	1	34	45	0	11	2
A. P. Pereira (Recrelo)	3	1	0	2	81	63	18	0	2
A. Brookbank (H.K.F.C.)	4	1	0	3	70	98	0	28	2
M. A. Carvalho (Recrelo)	5	1	0	4	86	117	0	31	2
J. R. Soares (Recrelo)	8	1	0	7	137	221	0	84	2
T. F. Stainton (T.C.)	1	0	0	1	24	19	0	5	0
E. Currie (K.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	15	24	0	9	0
H. R. Davies (H.K.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	15	24	0	9	0
W. Hyde (K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	17	28	0	11	0
J. A. R. Selby (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	10	23	0	13	0
L. Gaddi (C.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	10	32	0	16	0
M. F. Alarcon (Recrelo)	1	0	0	1	15	30	0	15	0
H. V. Pearce (H.K.F.C.)	3	0	0	3	39	58	0	19	0
A. Jack (C.C.C.)	4	0	0	4	49	113	0	48	0

G\$41,411 IN STAKES

The American wonder horse, Whirlaway, favourite at 10 to 1 on, won the 49th "Lawrence Realisation Stakes" over a mile and five-eighths at Belmont Park, New York, on Saturday, thus becoming the third in the list of all-time money winners with only Sea Biscuit and Sun Beau ahead. Whirlaway won by 10 lengths, and up to the present this horse has won U.S. \$41,411 in stakes.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S AQUATICS

The Hong Kong Chinese Swimming championships will be concluded to-day at Victoria Recreation Club, commencing at 7.30 p.m., when the main attraction will be the Men's 50 Metres free-style, in which both Tsui Hang and Ng Nin will be seen in action.

The 400 Metres free-style event should also provide thrills as Chan Chun-nam, Yau Sai-kwan and Lau Tai-ping, of Lai Tsun, will be participating.

Following is the programme:—
Men's 400 Yards free-style Relay.
Ladies' 200 Metres breast-stroke.
Men's 100 Metres back-stroke.
Ladies' 50 Metres free-style.
Men's 50 Metres free-style.
Men's 400 Metres free-style.
Ladies' 400 Metres free-style.
Water-Polo.

THIRD DIVISION

	P.	W.	T.	L.	F.	A.	Shots	Shots	Up	Dn	Pts
J. C. Aitken (P.R.C.)	15	12	1	2	381	231	150	0	25		
R. Ogden (K.F.C.)	15	12	0	3	342	250	92	0	24		
J. MacDonald (P.R.C.)	15	9	1	5	310	238	72	0	19		
H. Nish (K.B.G.C.)	16	9	1	6	342	292	50	0	19		
B. M. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	16	9	1	6	336	295	41	0	19		
C. Wallis (K.B.G.C.)	13	9	0	4	290	240	80	0	18		
A. M. Wahab (I.R.C.)	14	9	0	5	288	248	38	0	18		
A. E. Carey (P.R.C.)	12	7	0	5	296	227	69	0	14		
A. O. Madar (I.R.C.)	11	6	1	4	217	185	32	0	13		
A. J. Coelho (C.C.C.)	13	6	0	7	232	245	0	13	12		
G. S. Graver (H.K.F.C.)	13	6	1	6	251	274	0	13	11		
A. G. Gardner (H.K.F.C.)	7	5	0	2	341	116	26	0	10		
K. C. Hamilton (K.B.G.C.)	8	5	0	3	169	149	20	0	10		
L. A. Jordan (K.B.G.C.)	8	5	0	3	167	154	13	0	10		
J. Rajeto (H.K.F.C.)	8	5	0	3	159	161	0	2	10		
N. P. Karanjia (C.C.C.)	9	5	0	4	187	178	9	0	10		
B. A. Mansell (H.K.F.C.)	13	5	0	8	245	251	0	6	10		
P. A. Yvanovich (Recrelo)	15	6	0	10	261	338	0	77	10		
J. F. Lunby (H.K.F.C.)	12	4	1	7	191	257	0	66	9		
M. F. Alarcon (Recrelo)	7	4	0	3	135	143	0	8	8		
L. de Rome (H.K.F.C.)	8	4	0	4	157	160	0	8	8		
E. S. Abraham (H.K.C.C.)	11	4	0	7	193	223	0	30	8		
A. G. Suffad (I.R.C.)	4	3	0	1	88	65	23	0	6		
M. J. Medina (C.C.C.)	4	3	0	1	83	83	0	0	6		
P. S. Cassidy (H.K.C.C.)	5	3	0	2	94	86	8	0	6		
D. A. Rozario (C.C.C.)	6	3	0	2	98	93	5	0	6		
B. Evans (K.F.C.)	5	3	0	2	88	99	0	13	6		
J. T. Smalley (K.F.C.)	6	3	0	3	130	123	7	0	6		
C. Downham (K.F.C.)	7	3	0	4	140	159	0	19	6		
M. A. Carvalho (Recrelo)	8	3	0	5	136	143	0	7	6		
A. McKellar (H.K.C.C.)	11	3	0	8	174	250	0	76	6		
C. F. Needham (H.K.F.C.)	2	2	0	0	50	30	20	0	4		
L. Gaddi (C.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	75	62	13	0	4		
G. S. Ladd (C.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	62	54	8	0	4		
M. Mendonca (Recrelo)	3	2	0	1	59	54	5	0	4		
J. Russell (H.K.F.C.)	4	2	0	2	64	90	0	26	4		
A. Niselm (H.K.C.C.)	5	2	0	3	95	120	0	25	4		
P. J. A. Hamilton (H.K.C.C.)	6	2	0	4	122	119	3	0	4		
T. Fergusson (K.F.C.)	7	2	0	5	121	138	0	17	4		
M. F. Plinna (Recrelo)	8	2	0	6	140	188	0	48	4		
J. K. Sloan (H.K.F.C.)	9	2	0	7	163	218	0	55	4		
H. M. Xavier (Recrelo)	1	1	0	0	31	11	20	0	2		
C. W. Lam (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	26	12	14	0	2		
A. P. Pereira (Recrelo)	1	1	0	0	29	18	11	0	2		
W. A. Cornell (H.K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	20	15	5	0	2		
J. B. Gilroy (H.K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	19	15	4	0	2		
B. J. Læon (H.K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	20	16	4	0	2		
C. C. Pereira (Recrelo)	1	1	0	0	27	25	2	0	2		
E. S. Franke (C.C.C.)	2	1	0	1	40	33	7	0	2		
L. E. Lamont (C.C.C.)	2	1	0	1	35	32	3	0	2		
M. R. Plinna (Recrelo)	2	1	0	1	35	42	0	6	2		
F. Channing (P.R.C.)	3	1	0	2	57	58	0	1	2		
T. C. Monaghan (H.K.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	52	53	0	1	2		
P. C. Morgan (H.K.F.C.)	3	1	0	2	55	64	0	9	2		
H. W. Randall (C.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	44	65	0	21	2		
S. H. Strango (H.K.F.C.)	3	1	0	2	51	78	0	27	2		
R. C. Butler (H.K.F.C.)	4	1	0	3	65	80	0	14	2		
A. F. Paul (H.K.F.C.)	7	1	0	5	92	174	0	82	2		
A. H. Madar (I.R.C.)	2	0	1	1	34	39	0	5	1		
H. F. Shields (H.K.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	17	18	0	1	0		
Y. Abbas (K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	14	18	0	4	0		
E. A. Atkin (K.B.G.C.)	1	0	0	1	10	21	0	5	0		
C. E. Gahagan (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	15	20	0	5	0		
W. Naor (K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	15	22	0	7	0		
F. K. Modi (C.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	18	29	0	11	0		
M. Gutorrea (Recrelo)	1	0	0	1	15	28	0	13	0		
U. A. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	1	0	0	1	13	27	0	14	0		
R. A. Edwards (H.K.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	13	29	0	10	0		
A. F. Narcinha (Recrelo)	1	0	0	1	8	31	0	23	0		
G. H. Fuller (K.F.C.)	2	0	0	2	82	38	0	6	0		
C. E. Thompson (K.B.G.C.)	2	0	0	2	27	38	0	11	0		
A. B. Mitchell (H.K.C.C.)	2	0	0	2	24	45	0	21	0		
J. Paul (C.C.C.)	2	0	0	2	34	55	0	22	0		
C. Stephens (H.K.F.C.)	2	0	0	2	30	55	0	25	0		

BOWLS CUP GAMES

Second Round matches in the Goscombe-O'Sullivan Cup Lawn Bowls Competition were decided yesterday at Police Recreation Club, the closest match being that between Medical "C" and Small Units, which the former won by 18-17.

A. Brooksbank's P.W.D. "E" rink defeated H. E. Strange's C.S.O. four by the large margin of 35 shots to 12.

Results of the matches were:—
Police "A" P.O.C.
W. McLeod W. Webber
C. Pile R. G. Robertson
E. G. Post G. V. McGrath
J. S. Fender(s) 26 S. Marvyn (s) 17
Medical "C" Small Units
P. Shaw J. R. Carr
E. Strange H. MacKay
S. Eccleshall W. Smith
H. L. Lockhart(s) 18 W. Ward (s) 17
C.S.O. P.W.D. "D"
A. K. Safford R. P. Shaw
N. I. Smith C. B. Robertson
B. I. Bickford K. S. Robertson
H. E. Strange (s) 12 A. Brooksbank(s) 35
Police "F" Medical "A"
L. Pennell P. Anslow
J. Headridge I. Newton
C. Dowman J. A. R. Selby
W. MacHardy(s) 17 J. F. McGowan(s) 26

OPEN SINGLES ENCOUNTER

At Civil Service Cricket Club yesterday, H. E. Strange defeated E. Kirmon 22-15 at the 17th head in the First Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Singles Championship.

Kirmon opened with a "possible," but Strange then had 3 2 0 1 2 2 0 1 3 to lead 14-8 at the 10th, but two 3's by Kirmon saw him trailing only 14-18 at the 14th. Strange then scored two 2's and, conceding a single, won by 22-15 after scoring at 11 ends, the scores being:—
KIRMON 4 0 0 2 0 0 0 2 0 0 3 0 0 3
0 1 0 = 15
STRANGE 0 3 2 0 1 2 2 0 1 3 0 1 3 0
2 0 2 = 22

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S. M. Rujahn of Indian Recreation Club, who had a six in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday, had one in his previous game. He had previously had one, in his second game of the season.

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The two unbeaten teams in the Open Basketball League—South China and Chinese Y.M.C.A.—meet this evening. National Union and Youths meet in the other game.

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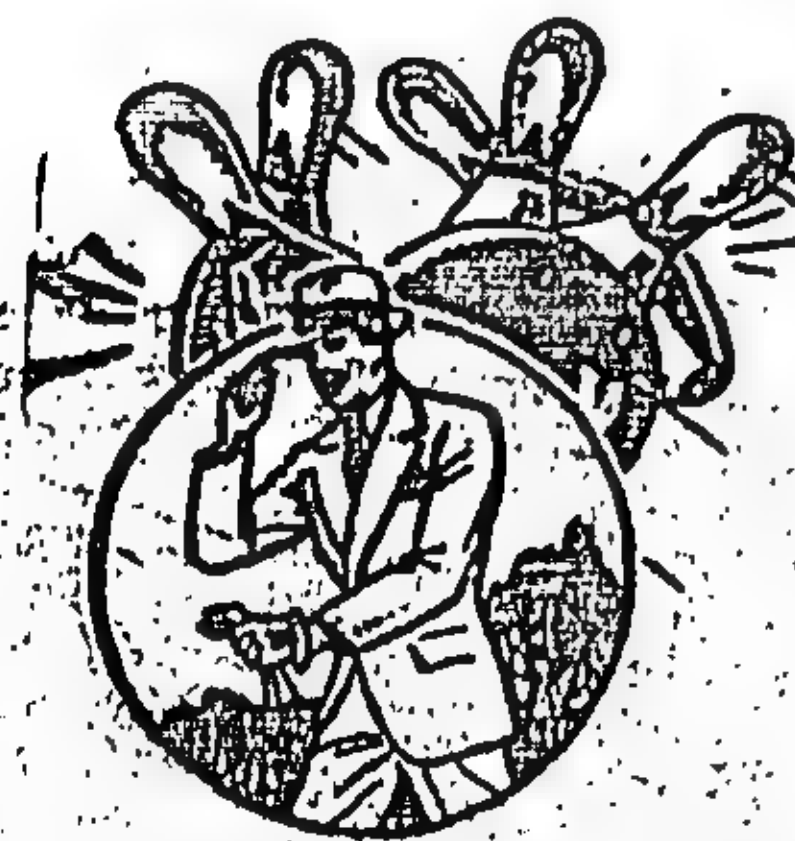
Prior to Saturday A. W. Brown of Hong Kong Cricket Club had not had a six in the Lawn Bowls League. On Saturday he had two and beat P. Youngusband, Second Division champion skip, by 4 shots, to stop a sequence of nine wins in a row. C. C. Pereira of Recceto is the only other skip to have beaten Youngusband.

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CRICKETERS BEAT BASEBALLERS

Royal Engineers entertained a team from U.S.S. Mindanao in a friendly cricket match at Sookun-poo yesterday, the former winning by two wickets on the first innings after which the teams went in again for 30 minutes each. Score were:—

Mindanao: — 47 and 30.
Sappers: — 51 and 39 for 8 wickets.



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Saturday's Sport Review

THE football season started more or less in real earnest on Saturday when the final batch of friendlies were played prior to the League opening this week-end. Chief attraction was the charity match between the Combined Eastern-Sing Tao team, which toured Australia and a team drawn from United Services, V. K. Hyul and Fung King-cheung each scoring twice and C. T. Tsao once to give the Chinese a 5-0 win.

The rest of the matches resulted as follows:—Senior: Kowloon 7, Navy 3; Police 3, Kwong Wah 2; Club 0, Middlesex 3. Junior: Kowloon 3, Navy 3; Police 2, Kwong Wah, 2; Club 0, Middlesex 9; and Signals 8, Lancford 1.

WITH the lawn bowls season drawing to a close, 10 matches in the three Divisions of the League were decided instead of the usual 13, and in most cases the results were as expected. In Second Division, Craigengower Cricket Club's chances of finishing up as unrunners-up were more

less nullified as the result of wins scored by Kowloon Tong and Kowloon Football Club, with the latter heading the table by two points.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club, whose most dangerous rivals in Third Division are Police R.C., beat the Happy Valley team by 4 points to 1 to regain the leadership in this Division, though the latter are expected to beat K.F.C. by a big margin in their final game and so win the championship.

SWIMMING enthusiasts had "three galas" to cater to them, and each one of these produced some very fine swimming. In the early afternoon, at European Y.M.C.A., University held their annual championships and Charles Huang, well-known Colony swimmer, set up new records in the 220, 440 and 880 Yards free-style events. A new record for the 100 Yards breast-stroke was established by K. Lo, while Morrison Hall, who won the Inter-Hostel cham-

pionship, set up a new mark in the Inter-Hostel Relay race. Huang, who won the individual championship, was first in six of the events of the programme.

AT V.R.C., the Chinese Swimming Championships were held and here also records tumbled. Miss Sai Wai-ying clipped 1.2 seconds off the National record for the Ladies' 100 Metres backstroke. Tsui-Hang returned 63 seconds for the 100 Metres free-style to beat the old mark by 2.7 seconds, while in the 1,500 Metres free-style Chan Chun-nam, Yau Sai-kwan and Lau Tai-ling, who finished in that order, all bettered the National record. Chan's time being 21 mins. 21 secs., while Yau was clocked at 21 mins. 41.2 secs., and Lau 21 mins. 58.4 secs.

THE Volunteers Gala and Inter-Services Meet at Army Pool, which was largely attended, proved exceedingly enjoyable. As

RUGBY LEAGUE RESULTS

Results of matches played in the Rugby League on Saturday were:—
Barnsley 2 Featherstone 12
Broughton 6 Hull 51
Rangers 13 Wakefield Trinity 9
Castleford 11 Wigan 5
Dewsbury 0 Leeds 5
Huddersfield 11 Batley 8
Hunslet 2 St. Helen's 20
Keighley 9 Bradford 7
Oldham 9 Northern 17
York 8 Halifax 17

—Reuter.

expected, Mobile Column won the Corps Championship for the second year in succession, while in the first Inter-Services Meeting to be held Volunteers were first, with Navy-Air Force second and Army third.

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INDEPENDENCE FOR SYRIA

A new Syrian Ministry, under the Premiership of Hassan Hakim, has been formed in Damascus.

The Free French leader, General Catroux, is expected to issue a declaration concerning the new statute of independence for Syria.—Reuter.

FAMOUS CHURCH BURNT OUT

Serious damage resulted from a fire which broke out during Saturday night in the Oeumenical (Orthodox) Patriarchate at Phanar, on the Golden Horn.

This was reported in an Istanbul despatch to the Vichy News Agency yesterday.

The despatch added that the famous church of the Orthodox Patriarchate was burned out and the Palace practically destroyed.

The Church treasures were however, mainly saved. Fifty houses in the neighbourhood were also destroyed.—Reuter.

Effect Of Occupation On Caucasus

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

DESPITE BIG GERMAN CLAIMS OF SUCCESSSES AT KIEV AND IN SOUTHERN RUSSIA, WHICH, LIKE MANY PREVIOUS CLAIMS, ARE STILL REGARDED VERY DUBIOUSLY IN WELL-INFORMED QUARTERS, THE MOST INTERESTING FACTUAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE WEEK WAS THE ABDICATION OF THE SHAH OF PERSIA.

It is significant that the Russians have been able to spare considerable forces to complete the occupation of the zones which were allotted to their troops.

The Russians appear to have disposed of numbers of tanks and armoured cars and they certainly made a spectacular display of landing large numbers of parachute troops around Teheran.

They cannot be so hard up for men and material in the South if they were able to carry out these operations with irresistible force in perfect timing and with a full complement of mechanised units.

The junction of the British and Russian forces will have important repercussions on the whole strategic position in Southern Russia and the Caucasus.

British Air Feats

The Russians have admitted the loss of Kremenchug and fighting

at the gates of Kiev but otherwise their communiques have been excessively laconic.

Pressure on Leningrad appears to have relaxed somewhat.

British bombers and fighters were active throughout the week and have not only relentlessly attacked the principal German industrial centres but have carried out daylight sweeps over occupied France with constantly increasing forces.

Large numbers of enemy supply ships have been attacked and sunk while creeping along the Dutch, Belgian and French coasts.

Railways Not Up To Strain

The fact that the Germans are driven to use seaborne supplies proves that the railways are not equal to the strain put upon them—another result to which British bombers have contributed.

In North Africa there was reconnaissance in force by German and Italian troops on the Egyptian frontier but they were promptly driven back to their original position with the loss of at least 14 tanks.—Reuter.

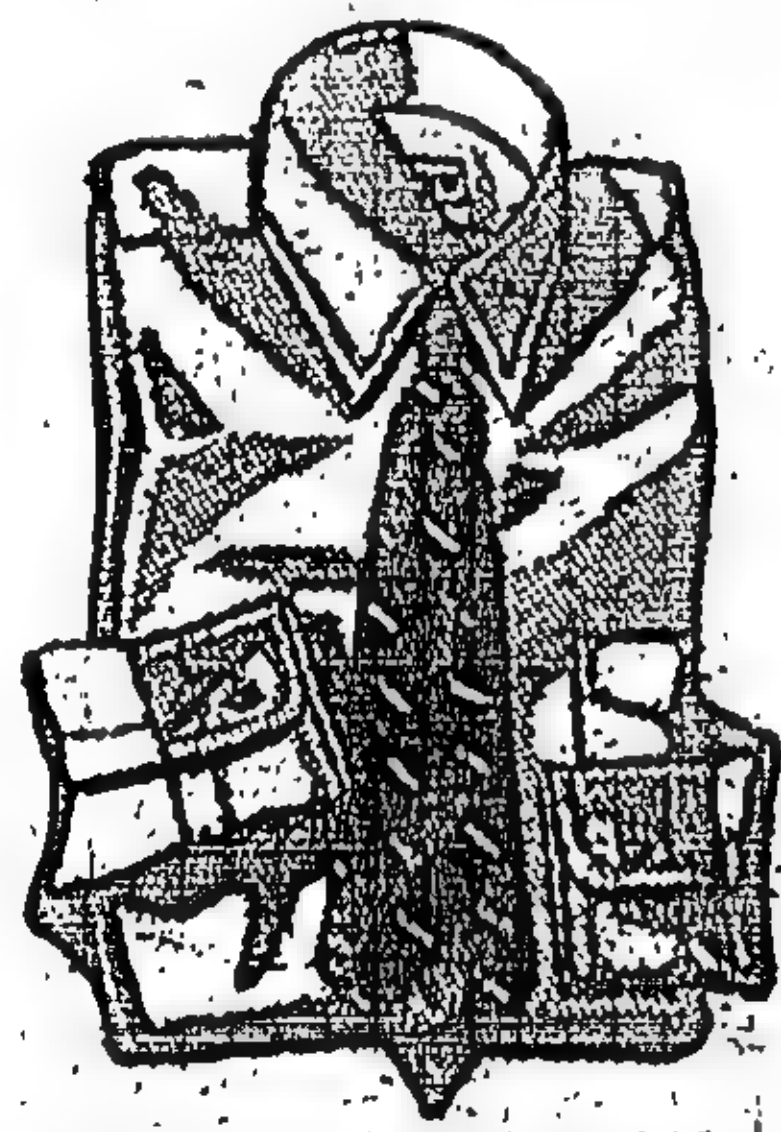
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CANADA IS GOING ALL OUT

Large increases in the number of air training schools in Canada and in the output of existing schools were forecast by Air Vice-Marshal O. C. Johnson, Deputy Chief of Air Staff, in a radio talk broadcast throughout Canada last night from Ottawa.

He declared: "New and greater blue-prints have been handed to the Royal Canadian Air Force. We are approaching the point of all-out production of pilots, observers and gunners as set forth in the original agreement."

"You can count on the fingers of one hand the schools that the plan provided which remain to be opened. The enterprise is being very largely extended. All across Canada, schools will arise on still unbroken ground."

According to the Canadian Air Ministry spokesman the new schools referred to by Vice-Marshal Johnson will be R.A.F. schools operated and manned by British personnel.—Reuter.

FIRE-WATCHING REGISTER

Registration for fire watching under the Government Order was completed yesterday when men from 40 to 50 years enrolled. On Saturday those from 30 to 40 registered.—British Wireless.

STOP PRESS

As a result of huge waves and strong gusts battering the river boat Kwong Ning, which was swept ashore at Rock Point (opposite Cheung Chau Island on the southern part of Lantau Island), during the typhoon last Tuesday, the vessel is now a total wreck and is breaking up on the rocks.

All the cargo has been removed by the Water Police during the last few days and this morning the Police Patrol launch was still standing by taking off cargo.

The 14,600-ton ocean-going ship which went aground on Little Green Island, had not yet been refloated in spite of attempts carried out during the week.

All the passengers have been transferred from the vessel and this morning some of the cargo was being taken off to lighten the ship so that she may be refloated.

In this falls, it is understood that all the cargo in the ship's holds will be removed.

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PACIFIC TALKS DEADLOCK

The "New York Times" reported yesterday that the U.S.-Japanese conversations are virtually at a standstill as a result of the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull's unwillingness to depart from his insistence that Japan should have no special status in East Asia.

In addition, Tokyo has not indicated that Japan has reversed her aggressive policy and abandoned her ambition to control China.

The paper added that reliable sources state the Government would not come to a settlement with Japan at the expense of China and no further progress in the U.S.-Japanese negotiations is expected until Mr. Wakasugi, the Japanese Minister in Washington, returns.

The "New York Herald-Tribune" editorially denounces the appeasement policy, asserting that American public opinion expects that the United States Government would not be satisfied with anything short of complete restoration of Chinese administrative integrity.—Central News.

SENTENCED TO DEATH

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"). THE DEATH PENALTY WAS IMPOSED ON ADOLPHE GUYOT, EX-DEPUTY AND MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST YOUTH ORGANISATION, BY THE PARIS STATE COURT YESTERDAY.

Two other communists were also sentenced to death, while sentences of imprisonment with hard labour were imposed on numerous others.—International News Service.

"PRIVATE" LEGION OF FRENCH

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"). Categorical denying reports that the French Army was fighting the Soviet, a Vichy spokesman declared yesterday that the only French on the Eastern Front were members of the "private anti-Bolshevik" Legion.—International News Service.

1,000 ENEMY PLANES DOWNED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"). Air Vice-Marshal Andrews, R.A.F., in a broadcast through the B.B.C. yesterday, stated: "More than 1,000 enemy planes have been shot down by the R.A.F. between January 1 and end of August."—International News Service.

Desperate Fighting Rages Near Kiev

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE SOVIET-GERMAN WAR YESTERDAY ENTERED ON ITS FOURTEENTH WEEK WITH RUSSIA'S SECOND LARGEST CITY, LENINGRAD, UNDER DIRECT ASSAULT, AND KIEV, THIRD CITY IN THE U.S.S.R., EVACUATED BY RED ARMY AFTER A DESPERATE AND BLOODY STRUGGLE, WHICH STILL RAGES NEAR THE CITY.

TOBRUK PRAISE FOR ODESSA

Praise for their gallantry was wirelessed from besieged British to besieged Russian troops, the B.B.C. reported last night.

The report said that British soldiers at Tobruk wirelessed greetings to the Russian defenders besieged at Odessa praising their gallantry.—International News Service.

AMERICAN AIRMEN IN RUSSIA

America's first consignment of warplanes has arrived in Russia, and Washington expects the arrivals to be followed by a steady flow of hundreds of fighting planes.

Number and type of the aircraft arriving in Russia is a military secret, but a small group of American mechanics, to instruct Soviet ground crews, is reported to have arrived on Soviet soil.

The New York correspondent of the "London Daily Express" says that Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of Treasury, revealed yesterday that American financial aid to Russia began a month ago with \$2,500,000.

The U.S. Treasury advance was made on the promise of M. Oumansky, the Soviet Ambassador, to deliver the equivalent amount of gold within 90 days.—Asked whether Russian credit

The Soviet High Command, beyond admitting the evacuation of Kiev, remained as uncommunicative as usual, the communique merely reiterating that "fighting continued on all fronts throughout the night."

In London, the Exchange Telegraph, quoting the Moscow newspaper "Red Star," official organ of the Soviet Army, reported yesterday that the German attackers of Leningrad have lost more than 40 per cent of their original strength.

The German High Command claims that with the German troops at the Sea of Azov, the Crimea has been severed from the Russian mainland. There is no confirmation of this report from any source.

The Germans say more than 150,000 Russian troops are trapped in ring east of Kiev and that thousands were slaughtered.

Significantly, the Germans admit that "desperate Russian counter-attacks" are continuing, indicating that the Kiev position is not hopeless, as Goebbels' propaganda has made out.

The Germans also allege that the Russian naval base of Sevastopol has been "isolated."

The German claim to the capture of the strategic Baltic island of Oesel and the occupation of Arensburg, the capital, has now been qualified by the admission that "a few scattered" garrisons are holding out.

Meanwhile, 60 Russian sailors of the Baltic Fleet were picked up yesterday by Swedish warships from small boats in Swedish waters.

The sailors, it was stated in Stockholm, have been interned for the duration. It is believed they are survivors of a naval battle between the islands of Oesel and Dagoe. The men rowed across the Gulf of Bothnia.—International News Service.

was good, Mr. Morgenthau said: "They have met every bill of this country since I have been Secretary."

No further requests for aid to Russia have been received, says the New York correspondent of the "New Chronicle."—Special Cable.

KIEV AN ENORMOUS HOSPITAL

Kiev fell owing to complete exhaustion, says a Milan despatch to Berne quoting the war correspondent of the newspaper, "Corriere della Sera."

The town for a week lacked water and food and the market was almost empty for a month and closed for a week.

Russian wounded from the great battle in Eastern Ukraine were largely transported to Kiev where hospitals were full. Schools, churches, theatres, cinemas, hotels and private houses were filled with wounded.

"Kiev is an enormous hospital." Nevertheless, in order to conquer the town, which had been reduced to such conditions, the Germans had to overcome a belt of concrete forts, minefields, high-tension barbed-wire defences and engage in terrible hand-to-hand fighting.

German armoured advance guards after reaching the centre of the town were repulsed and only after three days fighting were they able to conquer Kiev, "in which the population, even the wounded, had not eaten for 72 hours."—Reuter.

sons at Torhai had been taken hostage as a reprisal for the assassination of two German police.—International News Service.

German Threat In Belgium

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THREATENING THAT FURTHER ASSAULTS WILL BRING FIVE EXECUTIONS, THE GERMAN MILITARY GOVERNOR OF BELGIUM AND NORTHERN FRANCE POSTED UP A NOTICE IN BRUSSELS YESTERDAY. The notice disclosed that 25 per-



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Scorched Earth In Kiev

IT WAS ANNOUNCED in Berlin last night that when the German troops entered Kiev they found "indescribable devastation." This is a complete contradiction of earlier statements from Axis sources which said the city had been captured virtually intact and that the Russians' "scorched earth" tactics had not been applied there.

Last night's announcement, issued by the official German news agency, said: "All vital supplies had been removed or blown up and the water and electricity works destroyed and put out of action."

It continued: "The place is strewn with the wreckage of railways and bridges that had been blown up."

"The population had not the bare necessities of life. By their destructive sabotage the Bolsheviki have endangered the lives of tens of thousands in the most cruel fashion."

Meanwhile a description of the capture of the city given by the correspondent of "La Suisse" (quoted by the Vichy news agency) tells how naked Germans stormed casemates at Kiev.

Flank Movement

The correspondent, who states he received his information from "authoritative German sources," says the German troops had been outside the city for some weeks.

Immediately after their arrival they broke through the first line of fortifications. They were then ordered to remain on the defensive, merely repelling counter-attacks by the Russian garrison.

Meanwhile the armies of General von Bock and General von Rundstedt carried out a flanking movement which was completed on Wednesday last by their junction 60 miles east of the city.

While several German divisions were brought from the east bank of the Dnieper and crossed to the north of the city, other divisions coming from the south advanced up the west bank and attacked the fortified system.

Swam River

The correspondent says it was a bold thrust which proved decisive for the capture of the city.

During the night of Thursday/Friday German infantry swam across a little river to the south of Kiev behind which concrete casemates defended the inner city.

These casemates were stormed by naked German troops wearing nothing but their steel helmets but carrying arms and ammunition.

The German artillery was very active during the assault and the air force previously had blown up munition dumps round the city.

A breach was made in the defences and when at noon on Friday German troops entered the citadel, the Soviet troops surrendered, says the correspondent, and the whole city fell into German hands.

The correspondent adds Kiev is the first of the Russian cities taken by the Germans to have suffered very little despite the bitter fighting around it.—Reuter.

GERMAN-TURKISH NEGOTIATIONS

The German negotiator, Dr. Clodius, is believed to have been successful in completing arrangements regarding agricultural quotas between Germany and Turkey but discussions regarding minerals "are continuing." — Reuter.

PERFECT ECLIPSE IN FORMOSA

The eclipse of the sun was observed in perfect weather conditions by the Japanese Scientific Mission yesterday, on the island of Ishigaki Shima, 150 miles east of Formosa.

Partial eclipse began at 12.17 p.m. and became total at 2.49 p.m., local time, lasting 3 minutes, 19 seconds.—Reuter.

English Girl's Record

A 21-year-old girl, Evelyn Duncan, has created a world record for production of anti-aircraft shell components in Birmingham.

She turned out 6,130 components in six days.

Evelyn Duncan reached this figure in a competition held in Birmingham in connection with a recruiting campaign.

The previous record was 5,000 components in one week. Another competitor outstripped the previous record reaching a production of 5,905 components.—Reuter.

ECLIPSE SEEN IN THE SOVIET

The eclipse of the sun yesterday was observed over a stretch of 1,750 miles of the Soviet Union, from north of the Caucasus to Kirghizia, beginning at 3.12 p.m. (G.M.T.).

Complete eclipse was observable during a period of about one minute over a stretch of 65 miles. The scientific expedition, recently sent to Kazilord, Kazakhstan, made observations.—Reuter.



ENJOYING A COOLER—After taking part in events at an R.A.F. Sports Meeting, these W.A.A.F.s are glad to refresh themselves with a "cornet" whilst watching their colleagues.

MAISKY'S APPEAL FOR MORE TANKS

"WE NEED TANKS and more tanks — and yet more tanks," says M. Maisky, Soviet Ambassador to Britain, in a stirring appeal to Britain which coincides with the opening today of "Tanks For Russia" Week.

M. Maisky says that Russia produces many tanks herself but the Russian losses in tanks on the 2,000-mile front are great.

"We require your urgent help in order to reinforce our own efforts. Your tanks will not be wasted; they will go out to battle at once."

"We know how to use them against our common enemy."

"The best testimony is the great fight which the Soviet forces and the whole of the Soviet people have put up during the last three months against the panzer barbarians of Hitlerite Germany."

"The sooner you send us tanks and the greater their number, the earlier will the Nazi hordes be defeated."

"We have with you one common front. Send immediately—your tank reinforcements to that section of the front which at present is bearing the brunt of the fight. Send speedily as many as possible."

"Twice gives he who gives at the right time and the right place." — Reuter.

THAT ACT AGAIN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") THE CLAMOUR FOR REPEAL OF THE NEUTRALITY ACT HAS BROUGHT A WARNING FROM SENATOR GEORGE WHO SAID: "THE ULTIMATE AND SUPREME DECISION ON THE NATION'S FOREIGN POLICY SHOULD BE PLACED BEFORE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE."

The warning was served after Representative Sol Bloom, Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, advocated outright repeal of the Neutrality Act.—International News Service.

KEY TO EVENTS IN FUTURE

IRAN IS LIKELY TO BE THE KEY TO EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE, DECLARED MR. FREDERICK MONTAGUE, PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY TO THE MINISTRY OF AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION, SPEAKING AT SOUTHAMPTON YESTERDAY.

He added: "People say we are not forming a second land front but remember we have responsibilities from Spitzbergen to Tobruk."

Declaring Britain was sending more aid to Russia than some people thought Mr. Montague said: "But we must send more. There must be a jump in production like that which followed the fall of France." — Reuter.

U.S. GOVERNMENT'S FIRM ACTION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A non-union crew picked by the Government sailed the freighter "Alcoa Banner" from New York to the American Army base at Trinidad, with supplies and munitions.

The American Federation of Labour Seafarers' Union has protested to the President.—International News Service.

NORWAY PRISONS PACKED

Prisons in Oslo and the suburbs are packed to the limit, according to a Stockholm telegram to the official Russian news agency giving details of the German policy of terror in Norway.

The list of those arrested includes the Secretary of the Labour Party, Bergdaen, the Chief of the Oslo Police and several university professors.

The German-appointed High Commissioner of the Norwegian Trade Unions, Sossum, has dissolved the elected Council of Trade Unions and replaced it by his stool-pigeons. Sossum has forbidden workers to demand an increase in wages and to pay membership dues to the Unions.

The Swedish newspaper "Goteborg Handelstidning" reports that several Oslo enterprises are guarded by armed German detachments.

Norwegian workers are compelled to resume work under pain of death.

In Oslo the Germans have removed many Norwegian directors of Norwegian industrial and commercial firms from their posts, and Kuppenberg, Director of the Igsarberindustri Trust, will control the whole of Norwegian industry.

Strikes and demonstrations are going on.—Reuter.

REVEALING BALANCE SHEET

WHILE THE CONTINUED BRITISH DAY AND NIGHT OFFENSIVE AGAINST GERMAN AND OCCUPIED TERRITORY NATURALLY ENTAILS LOSSES—FAR OUTWEIGHED BY THE VALUE OF THE RESULTS OBTAINED—THE WEEK'S COMPARATIVE FIGURES TO DATE YESTERDAY CONTINUE TO DEMONSTRATE THE ASCENDANCE OF THE R.A.F.

Complete figures of losses are: Over Britain—German 3, British nil.

Over Europe—German 54, British 40.

Middle East—Axis 14, British 7.—British Wireless.

RUSHING AIR AID TO RUSSIA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") THE UNITED STATES WILL FLY LONG-RANGE BOMBERS DIRECT TO RUSSIA VIA ALASKA; IT IS LEARNED IN AUTHORITY WASHINGTON CIRCLES.

This is part of a complex plan to divert aid to the Soviet immediately to stem the German tide. It is stated in Washington that the British Government recognise Russia's need for planes is urgent, and Britain has agreed to release numbers of the bombers which at present are being tormented across the Atlantic.—International News Service.

BULGARIA HEADING FOR WAR

Clash With Turkey Thought Inevitable

Dragged Behind Axis Chariot

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)
THE STATE OF EMERGENCY THROUGH-OUT BULGARIA REVEALS THE GRAVE SITUATION WITH WHICH M. FILOFF'S GOVERNMENT IS CONFRONTED; HAVING HIT-CHED ITSELF TO THE AXIS CHARIOT IT FINDS ITSELF DRAGGED INTO COMPLETE AND ABJECT SUBSERVIENT TO THE POLICY OF ITS POWERFUL TEAM MATES.

Neither the Government nor the people want war but they are being coerced into a course against their will, against their interests, against their tradition.

But, having accepted the "new order," they are so deeply committed that there seems little chance of escaping the fate of Hungary and Rumania and being used as catspaws by the German High Command.

They may be able to evade fighting against their Russian benefactors by attacking Turkey but it does not look as though there were any other alternative.

Despite the Axis leanings of the Government the people are still moved by Russia's share in their liberation and apart from their common Slav origin there has always been strong sympathy with Soviet ideology among the largely agrarian population.

Popular resentment against recent moves by the Government has led to widespread discontent and even sabotage, with correspondingly severe repressive measures by the authorities.

German-Inspired

An attempt is now being made to create a movement against Russia by allegations that Bulgarian ships have been sunk by Russian mines or torpedoed by Russian submarines.

The hand of German propaganda is very evident in the manner in which these reports, which are still very dubious, are

being played up in the Bulgarian press.

Simultaneously, however, relations with Turkey are being deliberately exacerbated, possibly in the hope of serving as a pretext for avoiding an unpopular breach with Russia, possibly because the Government feels that war with Turkey would be the lesser of two evils.

War Of Nerves

The Germans are naturally exploiting this situation as part of their war of nerves against Turkey, and it is still too early to say whether they are prepared to go the full length. Much will depend on the degree of their success in southern Russia.

IT MIGHT BE ENTIRELY UN-PROFITABLE TO TAKE ON TURKEY AS AN ENEMY IF THE RESULT OF THE RUSSIAN CAMPAIGN IS STILL SWAYING IN THE BALANCE.—REUTER.

EIGHTEEN GERMANS DAY'S BAG

BLenheim AIRCRAFT OF THE BOMBER COMMAND STRONGLY ESCORTED BY FIGHTERS, ATTACKED A POWER STATION AT GOSNAY NEAR BETHUNE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. IT WAS LEARNED IN LONDON.

Bombs were seen to hit the target and fires were left burning.

The fighter escort had many combats with enemy fighters and it is known that 18 of the enemy were destroyed.

Twelve British fighters were lost but the pilots of two have been rescued from the sea. No British bombers were lost.—Reuter.

QUISLING TO RETURN THE LOOT

QUISLING HAS BEEN ORDERED BY THE GERMAN AUTHORITIES TO RETURN WITHIN THREE DAYS ALL THE MONEY HE HAD TAKEN FROM THE BANK OF NORWAY, SAYS A STOCKHOLM DESPATCH TO THE SOVIET NEWS AGENCY IN MOSCOW.

It was proved, says the dispatch, that Quisling withdrew a large sum from the Bank and transferred a considerable part of it abroad. His underlings did likewise.

The German authorities, concludes the dispatch, have now forbidden the Bank to issue any funds to the Quisling party without German permission.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST BLACK-OUT

The biggest black-out test ever held in Australia took place last night when for over an hour Sydney and the surrounding area was plunged into darkness.

More than a million residents were affected by the black-out which is officially described as most successful.—Reuter.

ROOSEVELT MESSAGE TO JEWRY

President Roosevelt sent a message to Jews everywhere which was broadcast by Rabbi Stephen Wise when speaking in connection with the opening of the Year 5702 in the Jewish Calendar.

President Roosevelt expressed confidence that despite the temporary darkness encompassing the world, the light of liberty would not be extinguished.

He added: "With united devotion to the just cause of peace and tolerance we must rededicate ourselves to the task which lies before us in order that all people may live as equals."

Rabbi Wise said that of the 150,000,000 people captive to Hitler, only 6,000,000 were Jews but his assault on them was a smoke screen for a concerted attack on all institutions of Democracy and freedom.—Reuter.

R.A.F. DAY SWEEPS REACH CLIMAX

ROYAL AIR FORCE daylight sweeps reached a new climax during the past week in which bombers and fighters daily raided Axis occupied Europe.

The outstanding night operation was the R.A.F.'s 77th raid on Hamburg and other north-west German ports on the night of September 15-16 wherein over 200 heavy bombers were engaged.

Another striking night feature was the substantial blow at Stettin, important supply port for the Germans' eastern front, to which the R.A.F. flew further than to Berlin.

Targets at Stettin were illuminated by the Northern Lights. Other night objectives were Karlsruhe, Le Havre docks, Berlin and Frankfurt.

ON THE 17TH THE MAIN TARGET WAS THE POWER PLANT AT MAZINGARBE, NEAR BETHUNE WHERE 300 R.A.F. FIGHTERS WERE IN THE SKIES SIMULTANEOUSLY OVER FRANCE, MANY MORE GOING OUT DURING THE DAY.

On September 18, when the chief objective was a power station near Rouen, operations were on a similar scale but they reached the peak on September 19 when the largest combined force since offensive sweeps began took to the air to attack railway centres at Hazebrouck and Abbeville, shipyards at Rouen and the docks at Le Havre, while a Fortress penetrated Germany to attack Emden docks.

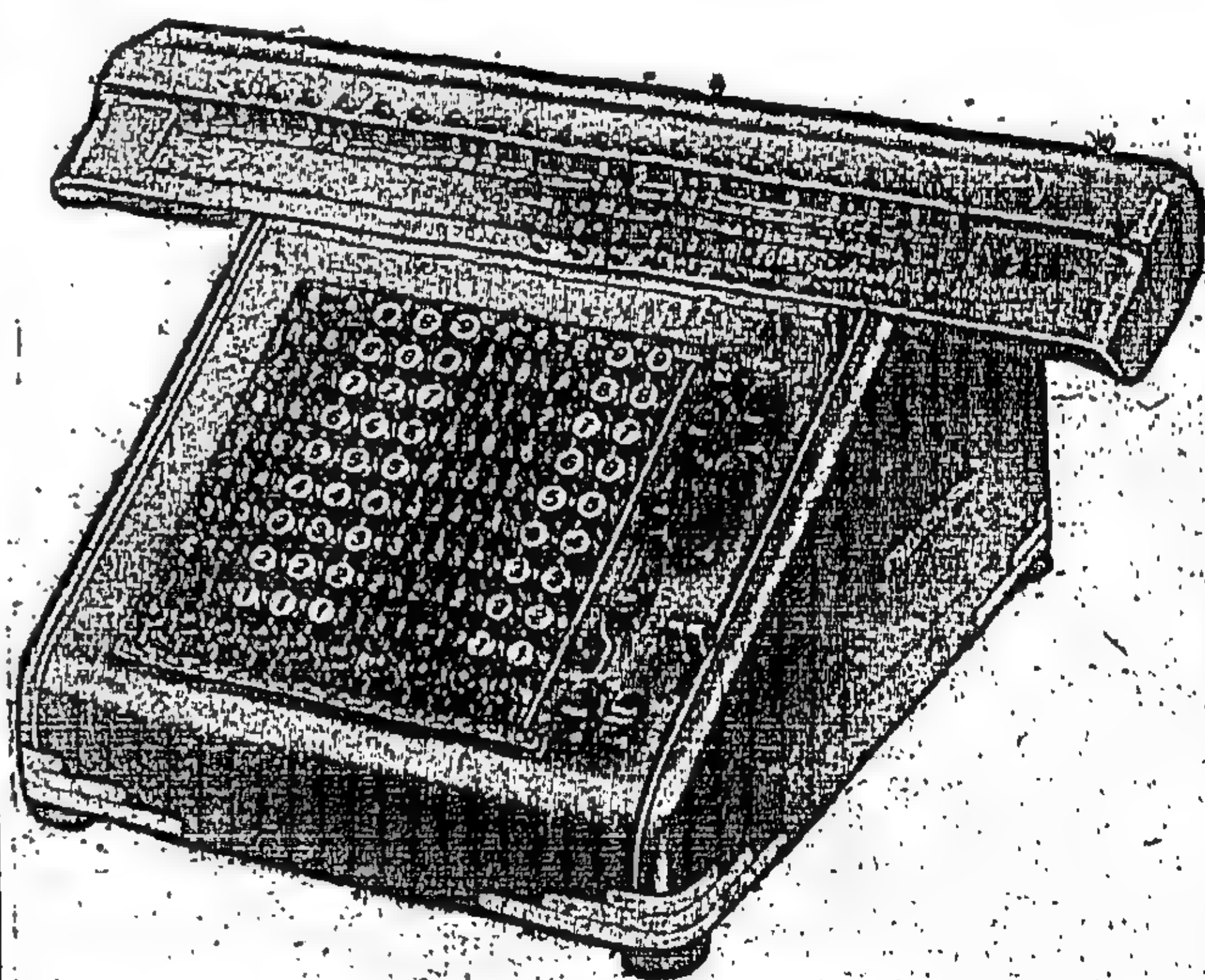
In all these operations the Germans lost 54 fighters, the R.A.F. 40 planes of which 14 were bombers and 32 fighters. Six R.A.F. pilots were saved.—Reuter.



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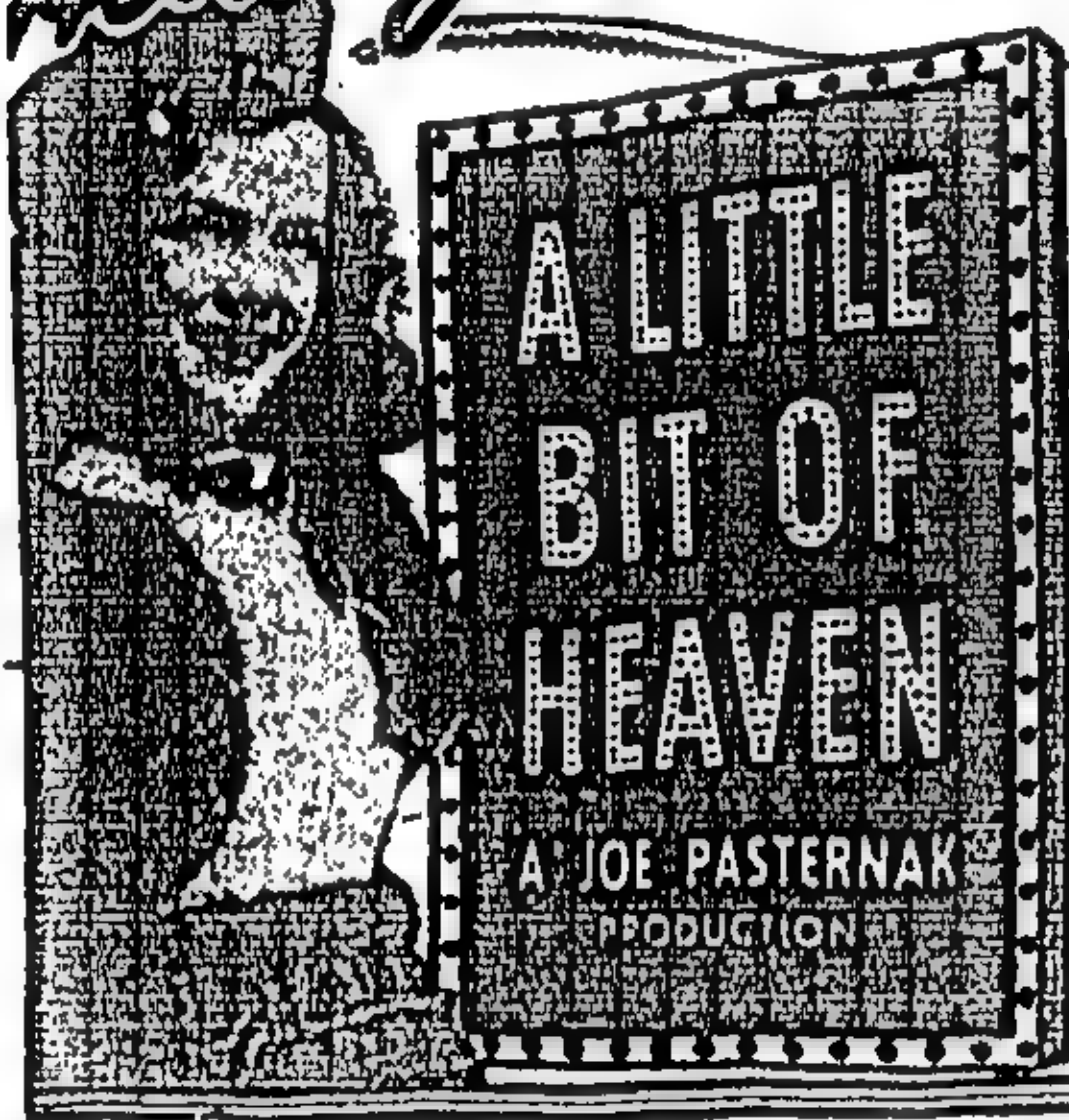
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IRAN SETTLEMENT FILLS DANGEROUS GAPS IN THE FRONT

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent in Teheran)

WITH THE NEW 22-YEAR-OLD SHAH, MOHAMED RIZA PAHLEVI, ON THE THRONE, AND HIS GATHERING POPULARITY, WITH UNEXPECTED RAPIDITY THE IRANIAN PEOPLE HAVE SET OUT TO BANISH THE MEMORY OF THE OLD REGIME AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

Parliament has already set up several commissions to reform the laws and practices which one month ago none would have dared to question, and establish new ones. Perhaps the biggest question to be tackled is that of the monopolies which have grown to a point where they have practically strangled all individual commercial initiative in Iran.

These monopolies brought great profits to the country's budget, but they were disposed of in unconstitutional fashion by the ex-Shah. They also found their way into the ex-Shah's private pocket.

Another point on which Iranians are determined is that there shall be no sliding back into the ways of the late regime in regard to the supremacy of Parliament's voice in the Government of their country.

"Rubber Stamp"

Terrorised for 15 years into acting as a "rubber stamp," Iran's 136 deputies are now trying to ensure that their rights, as laid down in the Constitution, shall be permanently honoured.

The difficulty, however, is that a considerable section of Parliament is demanding free elections as opposed to the hitherto farcically rigid voting, while other deputies are determined to hold their present seats as long as possible.

This dispute may be the precursor of many others, marking Iran's progress from one of the world's strongest dictatorships towards democracy.

Meanwhile, with the delimitation of the main outlines of Iran's political future, dangerous gaps have been filled in the Anglo-Russian front which now spreads from West Africa across Asia and Europe to Murmansk.

Caucasus Defence

The defence of the Caucasus, which is the main barrier to Germany's advance towards the world's principal oil supply, is now organised in tremendous depth by Russian troops. Behind them lie the British forces guarding the communications along which will flow supplies to Russia from Britain, the Empire and America.

Arrangements for these supplies to Russia are already well on the way to completion, but the future stabilisation of the internal situation is first necessary.

This stabilisation awaits, among other things, the disposal of the remaining Axis agents. These include 150 Germans, four dangerous Italians, the ex-Grand Mufti of Jerusalem and several supporters of Raschid Ali.

The ex-Shah, whose future is now being discussed by the British, Russian and Persian Governments, is still at Isfahan, the main city of Central Iran. Two envoys, one of whom is a distant relative of the ex-Shah, have been dispatched by the Iranian Government to Isfahan to obtain from the ex-Shah a document restoring to the Iranian people some of the vast wealth he had extorted from them.

These envoys arrived at Isfahan on Friday but it is not yet known here whether the ex-Shah is resisting their demands.—Reuter.

TRAGEDY IN GREEK ISLANDS

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent in Ankara.)

Children are dying of hunger in the Axis-occupied Greek islands of Mytelene and Chios. The Germans have been compelled to abandon their attempts to re-open the olive oil mills, many workers fainting from the lack of food.

Yet the spirit of the islanders remain undaunted. Many attempts have been made to escape to the mainland.

The Germans have equipped with searchlights and machine-guns a captured British motor yacht with which they nightly patrol the channel between the island and the Turkish coast, but in spite of this the islanders continue to escape taking their wives and families with them.

Although these and other islands are occupied by Axis forces, the Aegean remains an unhealthy place for Axis shipping.

A Turkish fisherman, returning from this area, reports that

THE TOBRUK STANDARD

"The defence of Tobruk is one of the greatest events in human history," said Mr. Menzies in a speech yesterday in Melbourne. In his speech he rebuked profiteers, strikers, and "self-seekers."

He added: "I am passionately convinced that nothing short of the Tobruk standard will save us."

—Reuter.

MR. TAYLOR SEES POPE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Mr. Myron Taylor, President Roosevelt's Emissary to the Vatican, was received privately by the Pope yesterday and conferred for 35 minutes.

Mr. Taylor is returning to the United States shortly.

The Pope accepted Mr. Taylor's gift of Villa Schifanoia, in Florence, for religious and educational purposes. — International News Service.

BULGARIAN SHIP SUNK

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A Stefani (Italian) agency despatch received in New York via Vichy last night reported that the Bulgarian freighter "Rodina" (4,000 tons) sank in Bulgarian waters in the Black Sea after striking a mine. — International News Service.

he rounded one headland just in time to see an Italian ship sinking.

Reports from Istanbul declare that the crew of the Rumanian steamer "Ballic" refused to sail from Trieste because they were afraid their ship would be sunk by the British.—Reuter.

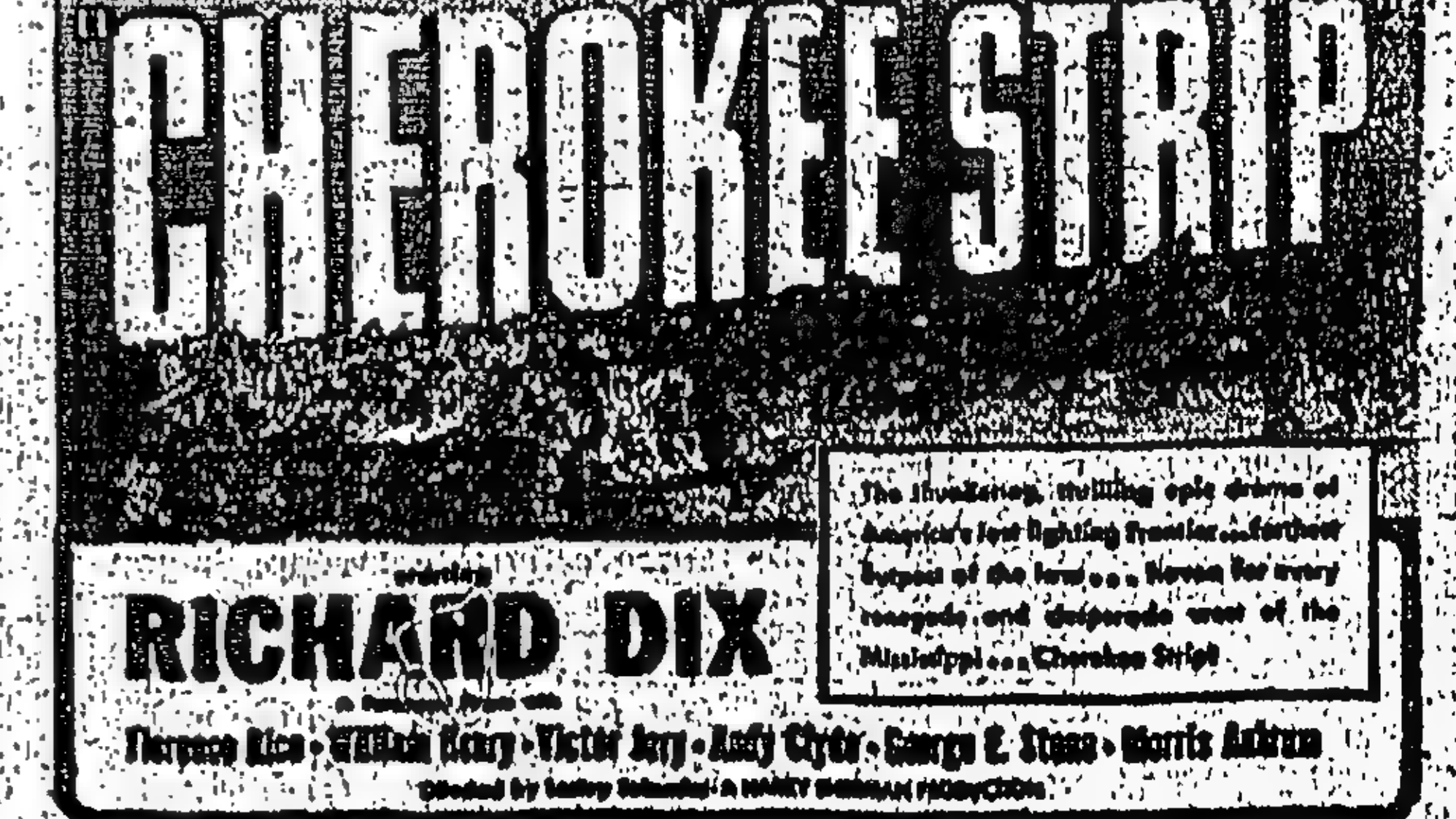
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PETAIN BACKS UP THE NAZIS

MARSHAL PETAIN, IN A THREE-MINUTE BROADCAST YESTERDAY AFTERNOON FROM VICHY, FORMALLY CONDEMNED RECENT ATTACKS ON GERMAN OCCUPATION-SOLDIERS AS "CRIMINAL ACTS" WHICH MUST BE "ASCRIBED TO FOREIGN AGENTS."

He said his Government would hunt down the guilty by all means. He made a special appeal to all Frenchmen in the occupied zone to help safeguard order.

"If these criminal gestures continue, repression will risk affecting innocent people. Your primary duty is to safeguard the unity of France," he added. —Reuter.

JAPANESE ENVOYS

THE JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE ON SATURDAY ANNOUNCED TWO DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS.

Mr. Masatoshi Akiyama has been named Japanese Minister to Nicaragua.

Mr. Denjiro Kato is appointed consul-general at Vienna and at the same time First Secretary of the Japanese Legation in Slovakia. —Reuter.

ORGANISING THE EYES OF THE ARMY

ONE OF THE WAR'S most vital tasks is that of the "eyes of the Army"—the Cooperation Command, whose squadrons watch the battlefield.

Pilots are men trained in the art of reconnaissance. Upon their zeal and initiative in the air may well depend the fate of armies on the ground, for it is upon the accuracy and speed of aerial reconnaissance that the decisions of army chiefs are often made.

Should a British offensive be in progress or the enemy threatening an attack, Army Cooperation squadrons will be at instant readiness on airfields close to the army formations to which they are attached. Pilots will be standing by the aircraft waiting for orders.

Air Liaison officers—Army officers who form a link between Army commanders and Air Cooperation squadrons—will be receiving messages from Army H.Q. seeking information which aerial reconnaissance alone can provide.

What Army Wants

Suddenly a pilot will be summoned. The air liaison officers will explain the mission, explain perhaps what the Army wants, whether tanks are moving behind the enemy lines or whether reinforcements of troops are massing near a certain village.

The pilot will make the necessary reconnaissance, watching the skies for hostile aircraft.

If the mission is urgent he may send information by wireless or drop a written message as soon as he returns to the landing ground.

Part of the mission may be to take aerial photographs of a particular position pinpoint on his map. Then he will keep the aircraft steady while the camera does the job.

The squadron's photographic staff will stage the camera, process the negatives and deliver the prints without delay to the air liaison officer, so that he can either report direct to Army H.Q. or send the photographs to H.Q. for examination there.

Strategic Study

Another type of reconnaissance may also be required—strategic reconnaissance.

This reconnaissance is not over or near the scene of fighting but well behind the battle front.

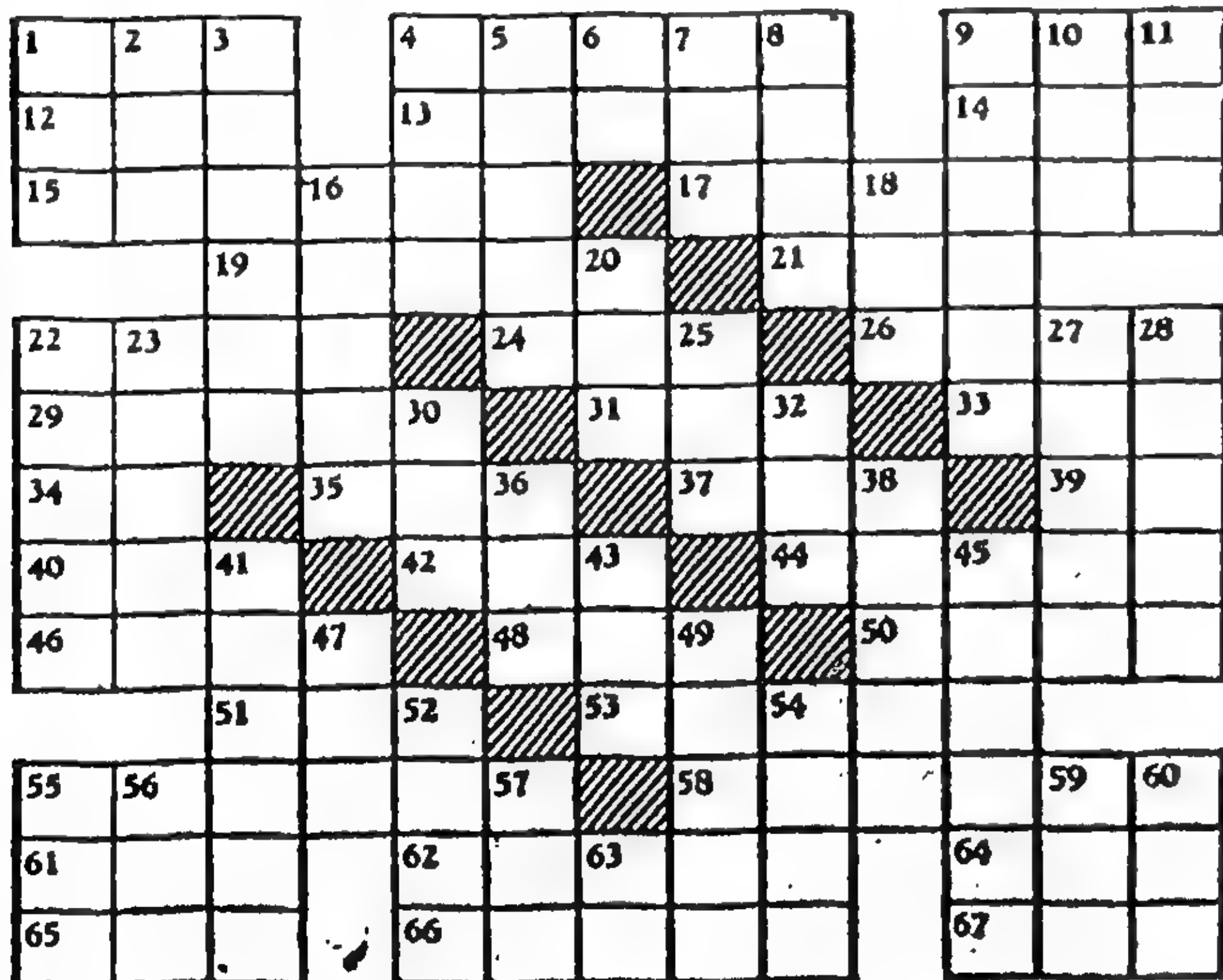
Pilots are rigorously trained for this class of work and become extremely proficient in reporting by wireless to the artillery commander where shells are falling.

If they are exploding short he will notify the gunners. If they are too far ahead he will direct fire to the objective till the shells find the mark and the battery is destroyed.

It is a perilous task for the pilot. A.A. fire may harass him, enemy fighters pursue him.

But the work must be done and no Army Cooperation pilot wants to return to base before his reconnaissance mission is accomplished. —British Wireless.

OUR 10-MINUTE CROSS-WORD



HORIZONTAL

- 1 Clue
- 4 Likeness
- 9 Cravat
- 12 Trouble
- 13 Artificial waterway
- 14 Measure of length
- 15 English dramatist
- 17 French dramatist
- 18 Presenter
- 21 Hard-shelled fruit
- 22 To retain
- 24 To take from illegally
- 26 List
- 29 Missile weapon
- 31 Humorist
- 33 Protuberance
- 34 River in Italy
- 35 Inlet
- 37 Light brown
- 39 Helmsman
- 40 Greek letter
- 42 Title of respect
- 44 To fall into disuse
- 46 Norse valley
- 48 Marriage portion
- 50 Metropolis

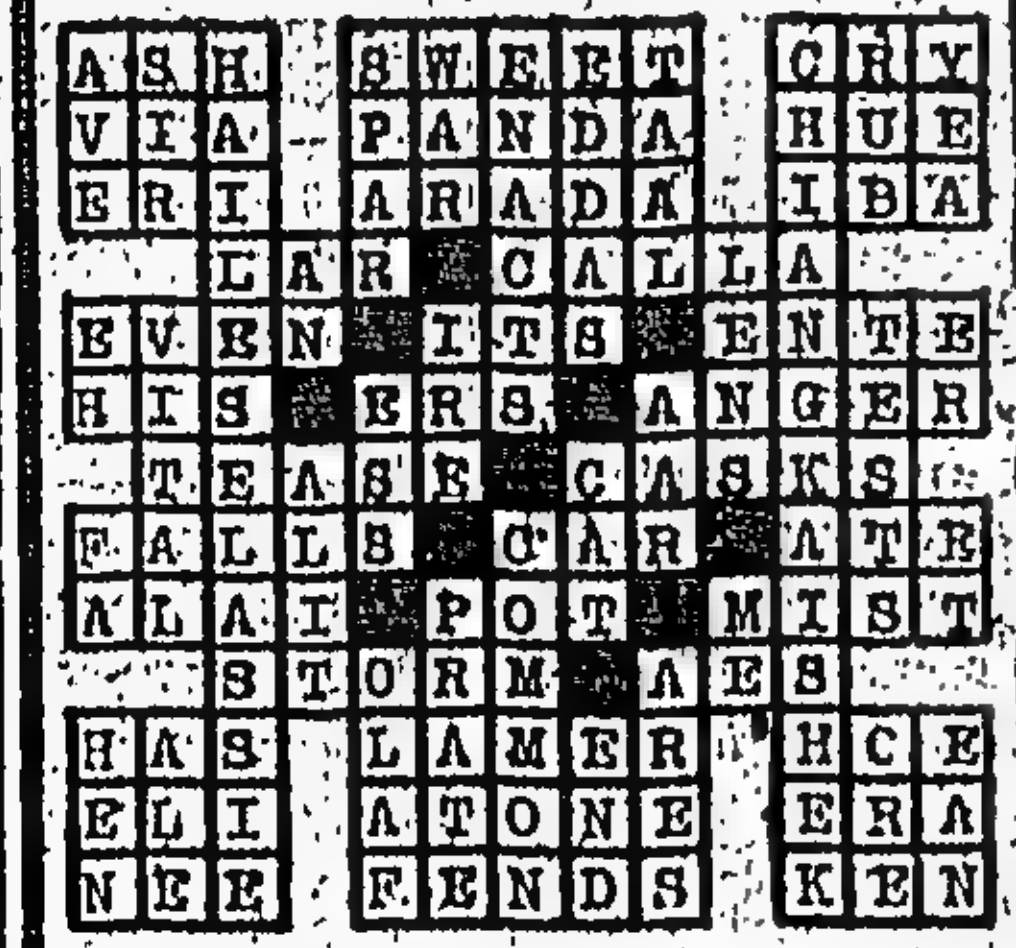
VERTICAL

- 1 Dervish's cap
- 2 Artificial language
- 3 To meditate
- 4 Religious representation
- 5 Lord's estate
- 6 Article
- 7 Pike-like fish
- 8 Dash
- 9 Sea demigod

10 Electrified particle

- 11 Holland commune
- 16 Deep sleep
- 18 Mongrel
- 20 Line
- 22 Greek letter
- 23 Eaton away
- 25 Seized with the teeth
- 27 To warm thoroughly
- 28 Monastery
- 30 Archaic to suppose
- 32 Hindu cymbals
- 36 Assistance
- 38 Mother-of-pearl
- 41 Aits
- 43 Fabulous bird
- 45 Had compassion for
- 47 Feline
- 49 Young hog
- 52 Arabian sailing vessel
- 54 Former English queen
- 55 Teamster's cry
- 56 Rowing implement
- 57 To plunder
- 58 Canoe
- 59 substance
- 60 Sheltered
- 63 To leave

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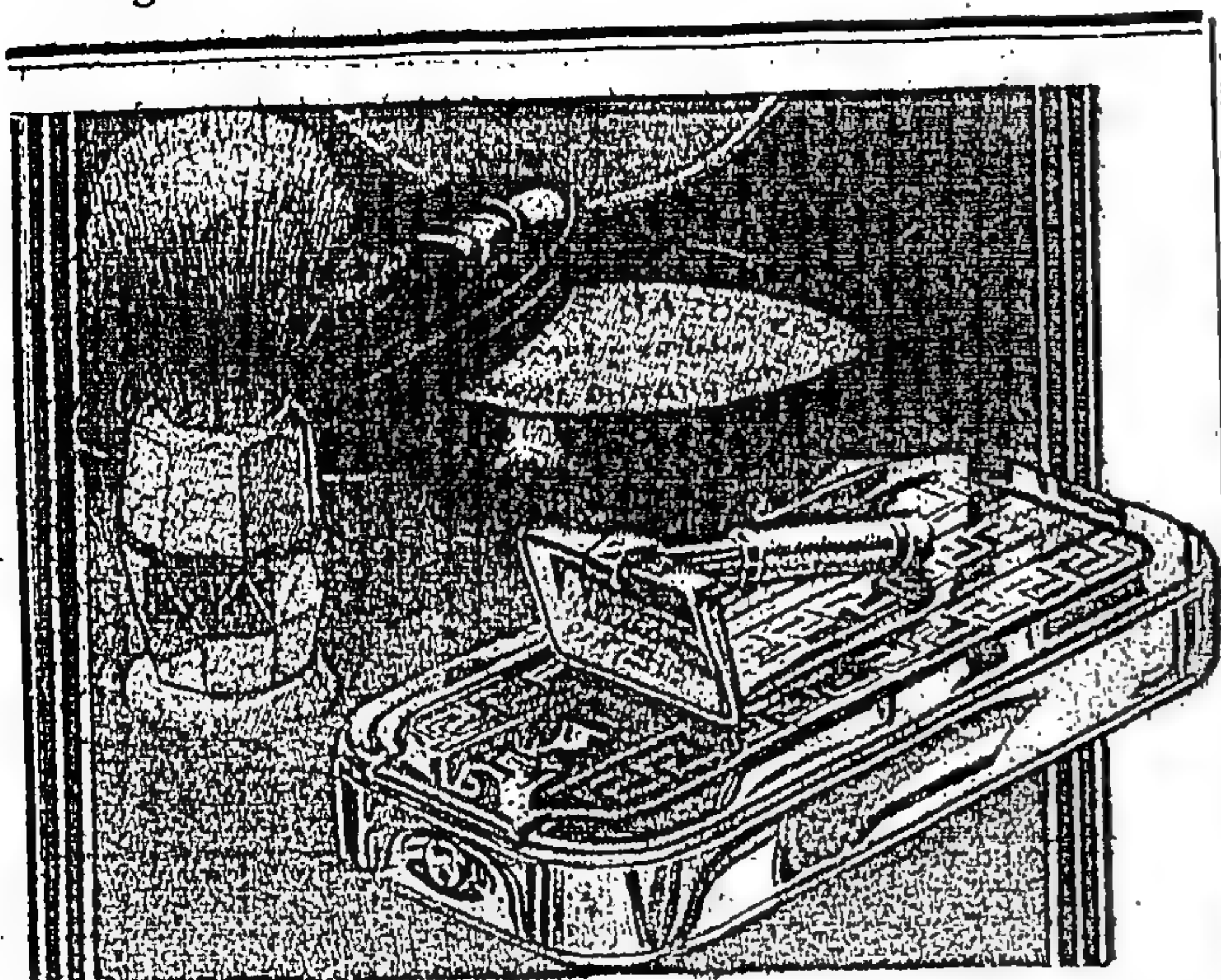
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AMBASSADOR'S CALL FOR AID TO CHINA

DECLARING THAT FIGHTING WAS IN PROGRESS IN SEVERAL SECTORS OF A 2,000-MILE FRONT FROM INNER MONGOLIA TO THE BORDERS OF THE CHINA SEA IN THE SOUTH, THE CHINESE AMBASSADOR TO BRITAIN, DR. WELLINGTON KOO, SAID IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

"Fifty months' sacrifice and suffering, blood and tears, have not dampened China's ardent spirit of resistance.

BOUNCING BLENHEIM SURVIVES

Despite balloons tethered to German supply ships encountered off the Dutch coast on Saturday and despite the escort of anti-aircraft ships, British bombers approached almost at sea level and rose hardly more than mast high to deliver an attack in which four ships were hit and left afire.

The Air Ministry News Service, describing the encounter, says that a former New Zealand farmer who is now a Flight-Lieutenant in the Bomber Command, said he had to list the starboard wing of his Blenheim bomber very sharply to avoid a balloon cable.

The Blenheim's starboard engine was hit and in the resulting lurch the bomber hit the sea, bounced off, again hit the sea and again bounced off.

It is believed this is the first time a land machine has escaped after twice hitting the sea.

The pilot said: "Although making strange noises, the Blenheim got us back safely and we blessed the men and women who made her so well"—Reuter.

FOUND BY A NAVAL RATING

Chan So, 45, widow, was fined \$5 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy this morning, for failing to report the possession of a ward, Chan Nui, 12, at No. 30, Hennessy Road, second floor.

The girl was brought to the Wanchai Police station by a British naval rating last night. He found the girl on the stairs of his residence in Wanchai.

The girl stated that she was afraid to go home. She lost a \$5 note given to her by accused for purchasing some ginger and eggs.

Another woman, Leung Lin, 48, of No. 134, Tung Lo Wan Road, was also fined a \$5 for a similar offence.

EX-SHAH HIDES THE LOOT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
The ex-Shah of Iran secreted £25,000,000 in the United States and a greater sum in Britain, according to a B.B.C. broadcast picked up in New York last night.—International News Service.

VOROSHILOV'S SON CAPTURED?

Marshal Voroshilov's son has been captured by the Germans, Rome radio declared yesterday, according to Reuter.

"The military situation in China to-day is better than could have been expected two years ago. The dauntless Chinese soldiers have fought the mighty war machine of Japan to a standstill. To-day it is Japan who is anxious to end the war. She is feeling, if not desperate, certainly worried, because she sees no way of terminating the struggle except by giving up all she conquered."

"China's mood is all for the continuing of the fight until final victory is achieved."

"Big Bully"

Declaring that sword rattling has been Japan's favourite pastime and that she was the big bully of the Far East, the Chinese Ambassador continued: "Cooperation in the New Order for Co-prosperity is her slogan to mask a boundless ambition to conquer and dominate."

China can never live in peace and security, nor can any of the smaller nations in Eastern Asia, while Japan remains governed by a military hierarchy which recognises no rule except force."

New Measures

Urging that there should be no relaxation of the economic restrictions recently imposed upon Japan by Britain, the British Dominions, India, the United States and the Netherlands East Indies, the Chinese Ambassador declared that on the contrary, to bring the Japanese militarists quickly to their senses new measures of a restraining character were required.

In conclusion, he urged the need for larger supplies for China.

He said: "If China had enough equipment she would have little difficulty in ridding herself of the enemy."

"An early Chinese victory would not only end the brutal carnage but would make other gangster nations realise that in the end aggression would not pay."—Reuter.

SERGEANT-PILOT BEAT 5 NAZIS

FIVE MESSERSCHMITTS were tackled single-handed by an R.A.F. sergeant-pilot during a break-fast-time raid on Northern France.

When one Messerschmitt blew up and another burst into flames, the remainder fled and the pilot rejoined his squadron.

Another sergeant-pilot who lost his formation got into a battle which brought him down to roof-top height over the Belgian coast.

He found himself alone near a long convoy of enemy ships and, turning, raked the whole line of vessels with his cannon and machine-gun fire.

"Shot-Up" Watch Tower

Then, seeing a Messerschmitt about to land on an aerodrome a few miles inland, he shot it down on its own base.

To wind up, he "shot up" a watch tower, from which the startled watchkeeper fell out. Some of our heaviest bombs were among the large force engaged.

The targets were a factory at Lille and enemy shipping off the French coast.

JAPANESE MANOEUVRES IN CAMBODIA

Part of the Japanese forces stationed at the southern bases in French Indo-China, are to carry out large-scale manoeuvres in the plains of Cambodia according to a Saigon telegram.

The manoeuvres will be followed in October by big reviews in which the entire Japanese forces in Indo-China will take part.—Reuter.

ECLIPSE FESTIVAL IN INDIA

MILLIONS OF DEVOTED HINDUS FLOCKED TO THE SEASIDE, SACRED RIVERS AND BANKS ALL OVER INDIA TO WITNESS THE SOLAR ECLIPSE YESTERDAY MORNING OFFERING PRAYERS, DISTRIBUTING ALMS TO THE POOR AND WASHING AWAY THEIR SINS IN THE HOLY WATERS.

Kurukshetra, historic battlefield and pilgrim centre where a temporary city sprang up for a solar eclipse fair, was visited by over half a million pilgrims from all over India who bathed in sacred tanks.

Members of the Nepal Royal Family and the Ruler of Dholpur, were prominent among the pilgrims at Kurukshetra.—Reuter.

IRAN SHORTAGE OF PETROL

Reports from the Iranian frontier indicate an acute shortage of petrol in eastern Iran resulting in all private cars being forced to lie idle. Only motor cars and lorries in Government service are receiving supplies of petrol.—Reuter.

KIN LEE FOREMAN REMANDED

Kwong Wing, head foreman of the Kin Lee Firm of contractors charged with giving a bribe of \$2,000 in December 1940, to Mr. J. G. Campbell, P.W.D. Chartered Civil Engineer, was again remanded for a week by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy this morning, at the request of Mr. F. W. Shattain, A.D.C.I. (C).

Hearing of the case was fixed for Thursday, October 2, at 2.30 p.m.

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THE COURSE IS FORWARD

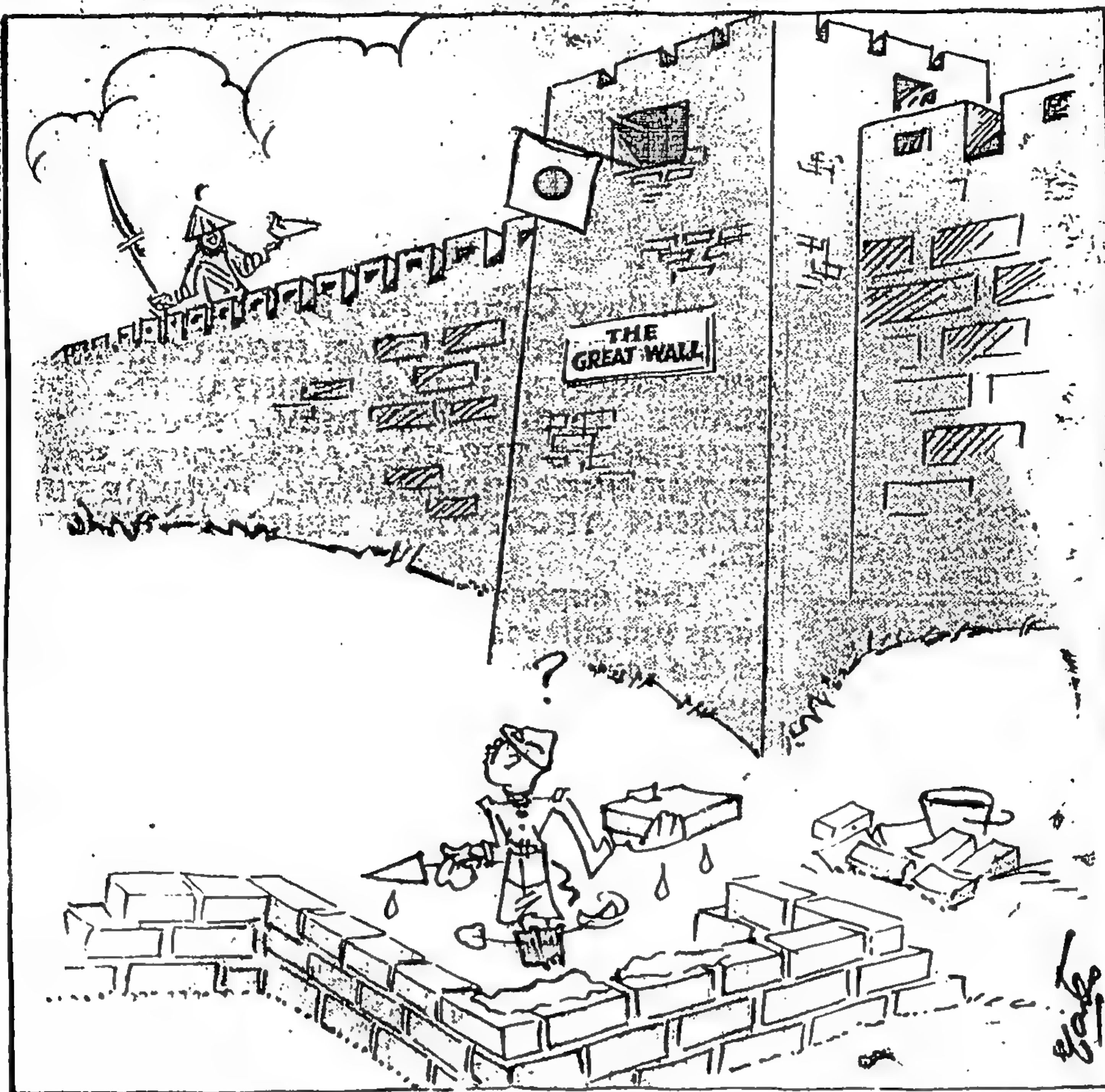
Axis propagandists assert that the people of the United States are disunited and not behind the President in his foreign policy. They argue that the United States can neither fight a war on its own behalf nor contribute effectively to the resistance of the nations which are fighting now against aggression and the rule of force.

In arriving at these conclusions the Axis propagandists also take much too short a view. It is undeniably true that there has been some let-down in the anxiety of both Congress and the American people during recent weeks. This is the direct consequence of the fact that the war suddenly turned east at the end of June, since which time the German armies have been fully occupied in Russia. But this is merely a temporary shift of front, and the Axis ought to have no illusions about American policy in the future, after what has been demonstrated. This let-down is only a small dip in a line that has been moving forward and that will continue to move forward.

The change in American sentiment as the war progressed has been tremendous. Two years ago, it was thought that America was committed irrevocably to a cold and anemic neutrality. The commitment was unreal. She has abandoned that neutrality. She has repealed the arms embargo which made it impossible for friends abroad to obtain the weapons of self-defence. She is now supplying those weapons at her cost, gladly and gratefully. She has taken steps which would have seemed incredible to the Axis Powers when the war began: making the Lease-Lend Act, with its far-reaching implications, the foundation of foreign policy; made Iceland an American base; raised an army by conscription for the first time in peacetime history; put fifty destroyers directly into British service; used merchant ships to carry war supplies to the British Near Eastern front, and last but not least the shooting order to the Navy. What is more the United States have reached a point at which more and more people are beginning to see clearly that, far from being "too weak to fight"—if fight she must—America is superbly equipped in those weapons which she would be called upon to use.

In the development of American opinion toward the issues of this war there have been periods of pause, during which the nation stopped to take account of measures already adopted, and there have been periods of momentary relaxation, when some new and unexpected development, such as Hitler's excursion into Russia, seemed to lighten the pressure of immediate danger. But there has been no departure from the main line. That line has led steadily and unmistakably and irresistibly, towards a closer association with those nations which are fighting for their freedom and toward the use of American power as the decisive factor in the winning of this war.

"WHAT! TRYING TO ENCIRCLE YERSELF?"



(It is reported from Shanghai that the Japanese are constructing an 18-foot-high wall from Tientsin for a hundred miles, along the coast, running parallel with the railway, as a protection against guerrillas.)

Nazi Agents Busy In East

NAZI agents employing familiar pressure techniques are hard at work in Japan, and less visibly in China, attempting to impel the Far East down a path marked out by Berlin as essential to the imposition of its pattern of conquest in this vital segment of the world.

Japan, as the main instrumentality chosen by Hitler to further his Far Eastern ambitions, teems with Nazi agents.

Nobusuke Kishi, former Japanese Vice-Minister of Commerce and Industry, is reported from Tokyo to have found an influx of German travellers in Japanese-occupied portions of China and in Manchukuo. He has just returned from a tour there. Writing in the Tokyo newspaper "Nichi Nichi," Mr. Kishi reported:

"One thing I particularly noticed in China was the number of German travellers. No matter how far I went into China Germans were trying to establish economic rights."

Japanese nationals in China have increased "five or 10 times," but Mr. Kishi added they were doing little "in the way of economic establishment."

Describing Hankow as "the first line of Japanese military activities," Mr. Kishi reported that "many British and American factories are closed, but the Germans are establishing themselves firmly."

Reservations By Japanese

For a variety of reasons, Japan has been selected by Nazi strategists as their chief Far Eastern tool. The Japanese, with Oriental cynicism, have accepted a place in the Hitlerian orbit under full reservations against the day when this pact of convenience might be scrapped, as was the one between Germany and Soviet Russia.

Nazi Germany's most immediate strategic aim in the Pacific—mobilising the United States Navy and as much other Allied power as possible—accounts for the preponderance of Nazi attention to Tokyo instead of to China.

That China is not being overlooked in the larger strategic picture as seen from Berlin is indicated by the presence of Nazi agents, German sources say that about 4,000 Germans are in China to-day, about half of them in Shanghai. This figure includes casual residents and businessmen as well as more active Nazis.

Doubtful On Influence

Due to the difficulty of obtaining ship accommodations from the United States, and due to the fact that it is virtually impossible for

any large number of Germans to arrive in China from the homeland, it is not felt that the influx of Germans can take on the character of a political "infiltration." It is not in evidence that the Germans are exerting any appreciable influence on the Wang Ching-wel puppet regime at Nanking, or on the Japanese in China, although Berlin's recent recogni-

tion of Mr. Wang resulted in a flareup in comradely feeling.

The Japanese are angered because the Germans in evacuating Chungking refuse to supply information.

Berlin ordered German businesses in Shanghai to hold tight to present stocks, purchase additional supplies, and await eventualities in anticipation of German control over the Trans-Siberian Railway, but many lack funds and are therefore selling their stocks in order to meet current expenses.

Nazi firms discharged many non-German employees such as Russians and Chinese, but German staffs were not affected.

Large Increase Recently

Germans say the number of their nationals in China was about the same last year due to constant travel homeward via the Trans-Siberian Railway. However, recently there undoubtedly has been a large increase.

Due to the fact that Atlantic travel is impossible, many Germans in the United States and in Latin America, who were travelling homeward used the Pacific and the Trans-Siberian line.

The outbreak of the Russo-German war therefore marooned many Germans in Shanghai and in Japan. Recently many Nazis in Free China have been coming to Shanghai following the rupture of Chungking-Berlin relations. There are also some from Manila, plus Vladivostok consular officials.

The Netherlands Indies recently released hundreds of Nazi women and children held in internment camps, of which the majority are

now in Japan, but many in Shanghai.

"Thought Offenders"

Meanwhile institution of a system of virtual concentration camps in Japan, one of the few hallmarks of totalitarianism heretofore missing in that country, is under way. Prisoners will mostly be "thought offenders," a term used to describe liberals, Communists, and any other persons ideologically out of step with the national policies of the moment.

Ordinarily in the past "dangerous thinkers" have been picked up by police on suspicion and subjected to extensive grilling. Those believed to constitute a dangerous element have been held for years, without trial frequently, and the gaols of Japan to-day are jammed with liberal college professors, political workers, students and others. Many have been freed after confessing a change of heart which the authorities believe is genuine; others prefer to suffer for their intellectual crimes.

It has suddenly been realised, however, that some "dangerous thinkers" in the past were given legal gaol terms which are about to end and that they still refuse to admit the error of their ways. The question therefore arose as to what to do with such persons and the concentration camp scheme—disguised as "preventive detention stations"—was hit on as the answer, undoubtedly with some Nazi prompting.

A Communist group whose 10-year term expires this autumn and which maintains its ideology intact will be the star attraction. They are reported "to have shown active resistance to the efforts of the prison authorities to convert them."

Preventive Detention

Once in the "preventive detention station" the unreconstructed "dangerous thinkers" can be kept there indefinitely until the authorities are convinced they have been converted.

The concentration camp, harsh as it may seem, is actually hailed as evidence of Japanese humanitarianism. Original suggestions would have instituted capital punishment for those released offenders who refused to change their thinking.

In an interview with the Tokyo "Nichi Nichi," Yoshiro Nakamura, head of the first camp set up in connection with the Tokyo penitentiary, declared that such an idea was repugnant to the Japanese since "Japan is not the Soviet Union or Germany where, we are told, they condemn thought offenders of the darkest hue to capital punishment."

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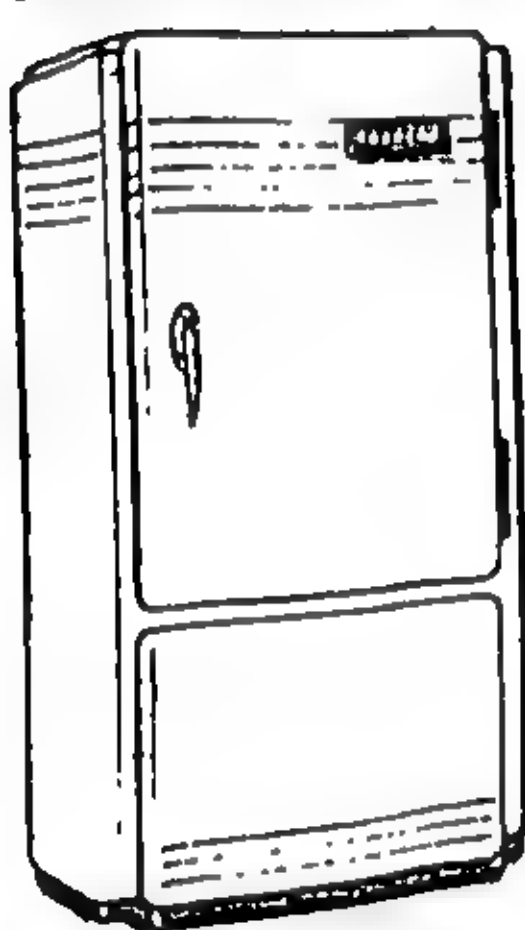
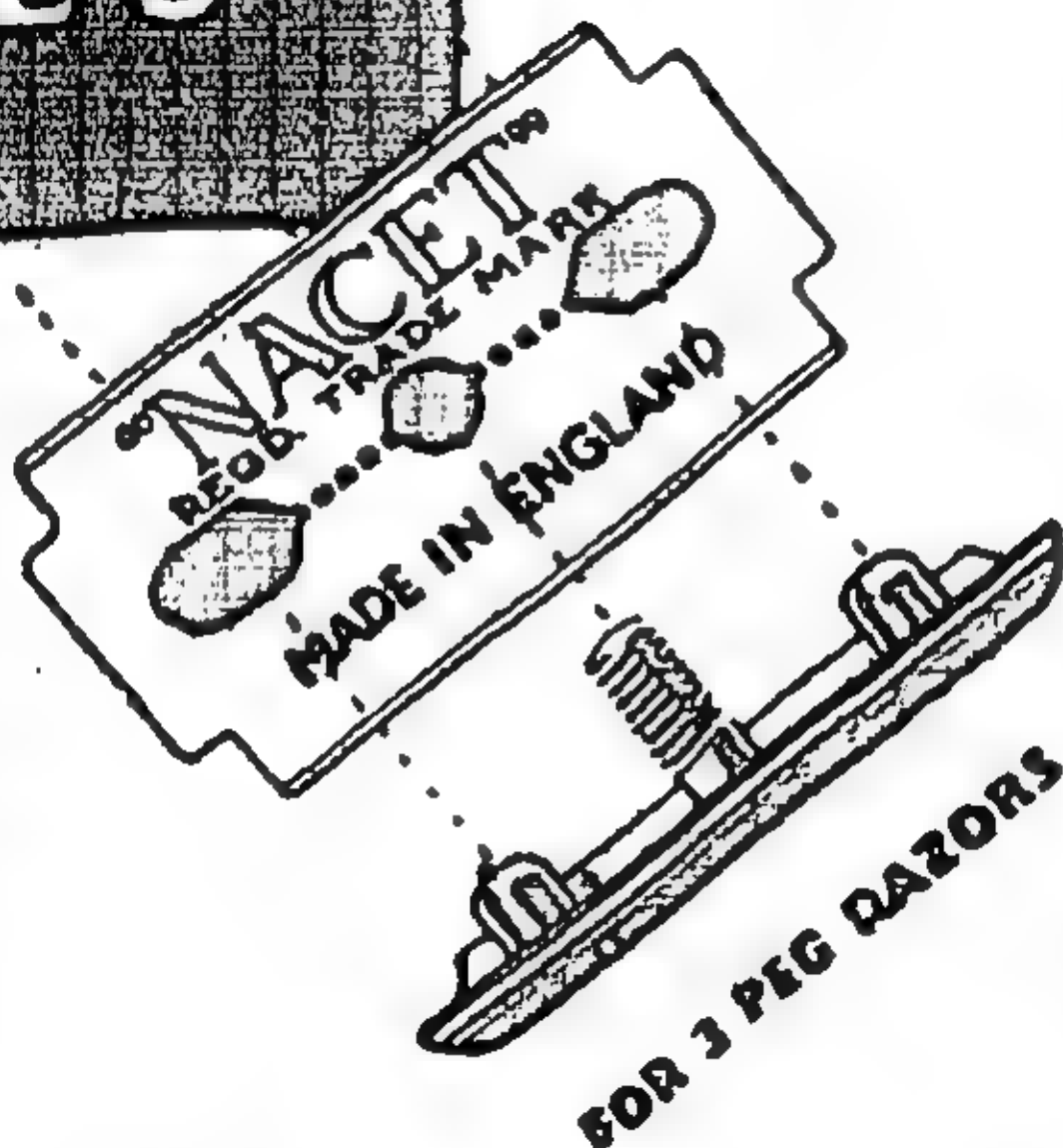
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"Where was that?"

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looking these days.""Pretty good, I should say. Any
place would look good after a spell
of the Northern Patrol. What are
you going to do?""Oh, the usual things. Art
galleries. Museums. Feeding
the ducks in St. James's Park.""Neither am I. I'm going to step
high, wide and handsome in spite of
the bombs. By the time I've finished
the metropolis will be painted a
chaste crushed strawberry.""Well. Well. Boys will be boys.
Only beware of pickpockets, don't
play billiards with strangers for
money, and always wear flannel
next your skin.""I hear you, uncle. And now, take
a tip from me. Try and remember
this time to mix some Rose's Lime
Juice with your gin. Or take a long
one to wind up the seemly fun and
games. There's no time for morn-
ings-after on a seven days' leave.""First sensible thing you've said
since we crossed the Forth Bridge.
I shall adhere to Rose's Lime
Juice like a barnacle to an Italian
battleship."**ROSE'S, THE WISE MAN'S NIGHTCAP****Kiev's Fall
Admitted By
The Soviet**

(Military Commentary By "Annalist")

**YESTERDAY'S GERMAN HIGH COMMAND
COMMUNIQUE, WHILE MAINTAINING ITS
CLAIMS REGARDING KIEV, SPOKE OF
FIGHTING TO THE EAST AND SOUTH-EAST
OF THE UKRAINIAN CAPITAL, "WHERE THE
RUSSIAN TROOPS ARE BEING ANNIHILAT-
ED."**This euphemism reveals that the Rus-
sians are still resisting desperately, even east
of the town, and confirms the Russian com-
munique that the battle continues all along
the front but most fiercely at Kiev.By putting out premature claims
of victory the German High
Command not only hopes to in-
spire its own men to further
efforts but to discourage the
enemy, especially in advanced
positions, who may be led to
believe that their cause is lost.The High Command also an-
nounced yesterday that Ger-
man troops have reached the
Sea of Azov, thus cutting off
the Crimea.**'Ware Neutral
Sources**An earlier report to this effect,
which received some credit in
London, shows how wary one has
to be of such German claims,
especially when received from
neutral sources.The fact of severance of land
communications with the Crimea,
even if it should be confirmed on
this occasion, is not likely to
have a very material bearing on
the progress of hostilities.At Leningrad the situation
seems somewhat easier and the
absence of German claims in
connection with Murmansk would
suggest that things are not going
favourably with their offensive
in this region.**Leningrad Check**FOR SEVERAL DAYS THE
GERMAN FORCES BEFORE
LENNINGRAD HAVE BEEN UN-
ABLE TO ADVANCE A SINGLE**ODESSA GROWS
IN STRENGTH**The strength of Odessa
is increasing every day, it
was announced by the
Moscow Radio last night.The defenders are resisting huge
German forces who are sustaining
very heavy losses.Red Army troops have reoc-
cupied the island of Hortitza in
Dnieper River which had been
in German hands for several
weeks.The local inhabitants, added the
Moscow announcer, showed Soviet
newspapermen a hastily filled
common grave in which, under a
thin layer of earth, were savagely
mutilated bodies of three Red
Army men and a nurse. — Reuter.**NO BRITISH
INVASION--YET****"MR. CHURCHILL IS AS
ANXIOUS AS ANY MAN TO
TAKE OFFENSIVE ACTION IN
THE CAUSE OF RIGHT, BUT
SUCH ACTION, TOO SOON
WITHOUT FULL PREPARA-
TION, AND MERELY BECAUSE
THE PEOPLE CALLED FOR IT,
WILL BE FAR WORSE THAN
WAITING TO DELIVER THE
BLOW WHEN IT WILL BE
MOST EFFECTIVE."**So said Mr. Chuter Ede, Parlia-
mentary Secretary to the Board
of Education, speaking at New-
port, Monmouth, yesterday.He added: "I know enough of
Mr. Churchill to realise that the
moment it is possible for us to
take offensive action in support
of our ally, he will take it." —
Reuter.**STEAMER
BREAKING
UP**As a result of huge
waves and strong gusts
battering the river boat
Kwong Ning, which was
swept ashore at Rock
Point (opposite Cheung
Chau Island on the south-
ern part of Lantau Is-
land), during the typhoon
last Tuesday, the vessel is
now a total wreck and is
breaking up on the rocks.All the cargo has been removed
by the Water Police during the
last few days and this morning
the Police Patrol launch was still
standing by taking off cargo.The 14,600-ton ocean-going
ship which went aground on Little
Green Island, had not yet been
refloated in spite of attempts car-
ried out during the week.All the passengers have been
transferred from the vessel and
this morning some of the cargo
was being taken off to lighten the
ship so that she may be refloated.
In this fall, it is understood
that all the cargo in the ship's
holds will be removed.**Kiev Evacuation
Admitted**Following is the text of the So-
viet midnight communique issued
by the Soviet Information Bureau:"During September 21, our
troops fought the enemy along the
whole front. After many days of
fierce fighting, our troops eva-
cuated Kiev.""During September 19, we des-
troyed 60 German planes and lost
24.""The Finnish coastal battleship,
Imarinen, during an attack by
our ships in the Gulf of Finland,
struck a mine and sank."**Oesel Claim**A special German High Com-
mand announcement issued yester-
day afternoon stated: "Exemplary
cooperation of formations of the
army, air force and navy have
secured a new and important suc-
cess.""Arensburg, capital of Oesel, has
been captured. The islands of
Moon and Oesel are thus securely
in our hands.""Only shattered parts of the
garrison of Oesel are to be found
in the western end of Oesel. Their
destruction is imminent." — Reuter.**ORDER NOW
RESTORED
IN PEEL**Order was restored at
the Peel (Isle of Man)
internment camp, where
a riot broke out on Satur-
day night, after the com-
mandant of the male in-
ternment camp saw the
men's spokesman.The commandant pointed out
that he would not listen to the
men's case until there should be
quietness for an hour and that
they had proper means of voicing
grievances through their own
leader.Little material damage was
done. One soldier was injured in
the hand and an officer has a
bruised leg.All was quiet in the camp yes-
terday. — Reuter.**NECK VEIN CUT,
PILOT FLEW HIS
BOMBER HOME**A SERGEANT PILOT, a vein in his neck severed
by a chance bullet in the raid on Merville Aero-
drome, near Lille, brought his badly battered Blen-
heim bomber safely home. His story was told by the
Air Ministry News Service but, as usual, the hero's
name was not revealed.After the pilot was hit his observer pressed his
thumb to the vein and partly stopped the flow of
blood. The sergeant was able to keep the bomber
on an even keel.An ME, attacked, but the rear
gunner shot it to pieces.The Blenheim was then flying
in formation with other bombers,
and they were attacked by nine
more Messerschmitts which were
driven off.Throughout this the observer
was tending the wounded pilot,
who, having lost much blood in
spite of the pressure on his neck,
collapsed in a momentary faint.**Fainted, Collided**His aircraft shot forward among
the formation of bombers and col-
lided with one of them, which was
turned upside down by the im-
pact. The pilot was able to right
it.When the formation arrived
over Britain the wounded pilot,
feeling he was unable to carry
on, told his crew to bale out.
They persuaded him to let them
stay while he attempted a land-
ing.The leader of the formation or-
dered the Blenheim to break
away and make for the nearest
aerodrome.When the pilot tried to put
his flaps down ready for land-
ing the aircraft immediately
went into a spin. One flap had
been shot away.But he still retained sufficient
strength to correct the spin and
bring the Blenheim down safely.
The pilot, now in hospital, is
expected to recover.

Germany Must Be Rendered Harmless After War

THE NECESSITY of "organised force and sufficient force in the right hands to prevent a repetition of what we went through in 1914-1918 and of what we are going through now," was stressed by the Minister of Economic Warfare, Mr. Hugh Dalton, in a speech at a National Council of Labour demonstration yesterday.

"The Germans and their associates," said Mr. Dalton, "must be deprived of weapons and of the power to quench the hope of peaceful, happy and industrial lives in all their neighbours, as they have twice quenched it in our generation."

He added that aggressor peoples must not be deprived of work and wages or of their own hopes to live "peaceable, happy and industrious lives."

Regarding immediate needs Mr. Dalton said: "Our thoughts are with our Russian allies who are putting up so gallant a resistance to the German hordes. We have already sent them much assistance in many forms."

Total Victory

"British aircraft, flown by British pilots, have been in action not only in the West but on the Russian front."

"We must each according to our capacity do our utmost to strengthen Russian resistance."

"The war aim of the British Labour movement and the whole British people is total victory over Hitlerite Germany."

"In Europe we have many allies in the enslaved populations of occupied territories. The Prime Minister has now made me, together with the Foreign Secretary and the Minister of Information, responsible for British propaganda to enemy and enemy occupied territories."

"Our aim is to sustain the morale of all who to-day dwell unwillingly under the hideous shadow of the swastika. To all these we declare we mean to rid their lands of the invader with all his bestial apparatus of torture, tyranny and totalitarian thieving."

Organised Plenty

"The Germans to-day are stealing from their victims food, clothing and all the necessities of life."

"Our peace aims now take shape in a new order very different both from what Hitler plans and from what we knew before the war. The main lines are laid down in the Atlantic Charter."

"On the economic side our peace aim is organised plenty, nationwide and worldwide, with access for all on equal terms to necessary raw materials. All must have social security and be assured of freedom both from want and fear."

"In our new order there must be no more mass unemployment, no more mass poverty. Science and planning must support improved labour standards in all lands."—British Wireless.

FUHTAN HANDED TO PUPPETS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") FUHTAN UNIVERSITY IN SHANGHAI, BADLY DAMAGED IN THE 1937 HOSTILITIES, WAS HANDED OVER TO JAPANESE OFFICIALS BY THE JAPANESE IN A CEREMONY HELD AT KIANGWAN YESTERDAY.

The University will be transformed by the puppet regime into the "National University of Shanghai."

Fuhtan students were among the most ardently patriotic before the hostilities and on one occasion, after the Japanese seizure of Manchuria, hundreds went to Nanking to demand a showdown with the Japanese.

At the time of the Chinese retreat from Shanghai, Fuhtan University moved to Chungking and still functions there.—International News Service.



Congressman John Lawton in "The Ramparts We Watch," is portrayed by a lecturer and educator who had never faced a movie camera. Showing at the King's.

ABORTIVE ATTACK INTO EGYPT

THE ABORTIVE CHARACTER OF LAST WEEK'S ENEMY OPERATIONS AGAINST TOBRUK IS WELL ILLUSTRATED BY DETAILS OF COMPARATIVE LOSSES NOW AVAILABLE IN AUTHORITATIVE QUARTERS IN LONDON.

The attacks were repelled by armoured cars, infantry and artillery with air cooperation. No British tanks were engaged.

The R.A.F. lost one bomber and six fighters (5 fighter pilots being saved) while enemy plane casualties were 22 destroyed or captured, nine probably destroyed and nine others damaged.

The enemy lost ten tanks and 15 motor vehicles within the British area while photographs indicate four enemy tanks and three motor vehicles were destroyed by British bombing.

British losses were one armoured car out of action, and several motor vehicles damaged.

The operational account of the action provides an instructive narrative as authoritatively described in London.

"At dawn on September 14, armoured car units which were in observation in front of our desert column south of the escarpment, reported two enemy columns advancing rapidly south-east, parallel with the escarpment at approximately three and twelve miles, respectively, south of it."

"Each appeared to have contained some 40 to 45 tanks accompanied by lorries and infantry."

"Our desert columns fell back according to plan to previously prepared position."

"These positions were dive bombed by JU87's escorted by fighters, two of the former being shot down by our troops."

"Both enemy columns, which had advanced between 15 and 20 miles in one hour and a quarter, were engaged and halted in front of these positions. The enemy then refueled during which both his columns were heavily and successfully bombed."

Counter-Attack

"By 1600 hours the southern enemy column had started to move south and later continued to advance east though engaged by our troops and aircraft."

"In order to avoid being outflanked our southern-most troops withdrew at about 1800 hours, those further north conforming."

"No contact was made during the night of the 14/15 September and by dawn on the 15 the enemy had already started to withdraw, covered by strong fighter patrols."

"By 1300 hours armoured car units had regained the original line of observation but were counter-attacked by 20 tanks at 1500 hours and again withdrew."

"By nightfall our desert columns had returned to their original positions in support of the armoured cars and though patrols made contact with German infantry patrols and tanks near Kirogat during the night of 15/16 September, on the morning of September 16 the dispositions

prior to the operations were re-our forward troops and landing grounds."

Fighters also successfully groundstrafed enemy aircraft formations had also apparently returned to normal."

"Tactical reconnaissance by fighter and bomber support was excellent and of the greatest value throughout."

Air Activity

"All squadrons of these formations, including Wellingtons and Fleet Air Arm Swordfish and Albacores, took part in the operations."

"During the day of September 14, in addition to eight technical reconnaissances, fighters provided sorties escorting bombers and were on protective patrols over our forward troops and landing grounds."

"Fighters also successfully groundstrafed enemy aircraft concentrations on Gambut aerodrome."

"Bomber sorties included dusk attacks by Swordfish and Albacores and night attacks on Gambut aerodrome."

"On September 15th further reconnaissances were made to locate enemy movements, protected by a fighter sweep."

"Preliminary estimates of enemy casualties are, 20 killed, 50 wounded; 12 prisoners from the Fight Tank Regiment, plus 16 Italian airmen."—British Wireless.



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NOTICE TO MEMBERS

SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING
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Saturday, 27th September, 1941.

In view of the number of entries received for the above, it has been decided to divide the race into three sections.

The third section will be race No. 11 and run at 6.50 p.m.

A cash sweep, tickets \$1 each, will be held on this race but "All through" numbers will not participate, and tickets can be purchased only at the Race Course during the Meeting.

By Order of the Stewards,

S. A. SLEAP,
Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 20th Sept., 1941.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 27th SEPTEMBER, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920.)

No children or amahs will be admitted to either Enclosure.

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By Order,

S. A. SLEAP,
Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 22nd Sept., 1941.

BRIDGE NOTES

BRIDGE SWINDLES—NO. 57

By The Four Aces

Some of the most effective swindles in bridge, as in other matters, can be executed simply by allowing the prospective dupe to deceive himself. For example:

South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

NORTH

♠ A J 8 5
♥ A J 8 8
♦ A K Q 7
♣ Q

WEST

♠ K Q 4
♥ 5 3 2
♦ 6 8
♣ 10 9 8 7 3

EAST

♠ 10 8 6
♥ 4
♦ J 10 9 8
♣ J 6 5 4 7

SOUTH

♠ 7 3 2
♥ K Q 10 7 6
♦ 5 4 2
♣ A K

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♥	Pass
4♠	Pass	6♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		

West knew he would probably make a spade trick sooner or later so opened the ten of clubs, hoping to set up a trick in that suit to be cashed when he got the lead with a spade. South won and immediately drew three rounds of trumps, ending in his own hand.

The play of the clubs and the slight of dummy's diamonds made it perfectly clear to West that the slam could be defeated only if the defence could win two spade tricks. And now let us turn to South's problem.

He could avoid the loss of two spade tricks if the diamonds broke 3-3, for then dummy's last diamond would give him a spade discard. If the diamonds failed to break, he would have to play the spade suit itself to lose only one trick. A finesse of the Jack would succeed only if West held both the King and the Queen, but a finesse of the nine would succeed if West held either King-ten or Queen-ten. The nine, in either case, would force out East's honour; and then a later finesse of the Jack would succeed. This is a standard situation, and the odds are 2 to 1 for the finesse of the nine rather than the finesse of the Jack.

So South, after drawing trumps, immediately led a low spade. West saw that South, if left to his own devices, would probably finesse dummy's nine of spades. So West played his low spade, allowing South to deceive himself. And South did just that: he finessed the nine, losing to East's ten. From there on there was no way he could make his slam contract.

Saturday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ A Q J 7
♥ K 9
♦ J 10 8 5 4
♣ Q 2

The bidding:

Schenker	You	Malin	Jacoby
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♥
1♠	(7)		

ANSWER: Pass. By so doing, you inform your partner that you do not hold substantially more than a minimum opening bid. If he has a good hand, he will have another chance to show it. A penalty double is quite risky.

Score 100% for pass, 60% for double, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 827

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

Schenker	You	Malin	Jacoby
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♥
1♠	Pass	Pass	2♦
Pass	(7)		

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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BRITAIN'S HUMAN DOORMATS

(BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

A new method of crossing one type of barbed wire without cutting it was demonstrated by infantrymen recently. During a practice assault one man in six flung himself bodily at coils of the wire, protecting his face with his helmet.

He then lay on the crushed wire, a human doormat, while his comrades passed over or round him and pressed home a bayonet attack. It was remarkable that this drastic method caused no greater injury than minor scratches and a few torn battle dresses.

The soldiers who gave this display were members of one of the Army's newest formations, a reconnaissance battalion, known colloquially as a "Recky" unit. This battalion, formed only six months ago on a German model, is equipped with Bren carriers and armoured cars.

Its officers and men were recruited from several units, and they still wear their original badges. Soon they will have a distinctive badge of their own.

Tackled Armoured Car

I saw illustrations of the many roles that this battalion will fulfil. These included trapping an armoured car in a narrow lane and destroying it with land-mines, bombarding cross-roads at long range with a 3-in. mortar, and storming an anti-tank gun with infantry, using a smoke-screen.

On Sussex heaths, scout platoons and an infantry platoon showed their skill as modern light cavalry. "Enemy paratroops" began the affair by ambushing one of our fast scouting cars as it went to reconnoitre.

The "paratroops," concealed in scattered posts among the heather, then met a general attack by the Bren carriers, which, widely deployed, advanced under cover of a dense smoke-screen, supposed to have been laid by mortar fire.

LEASE AND LEND FOR PARAGUAY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, has signed an agreement with Paraguay providing the extension of an undisclosed amount of Lease and Lend aid.—International News Service.



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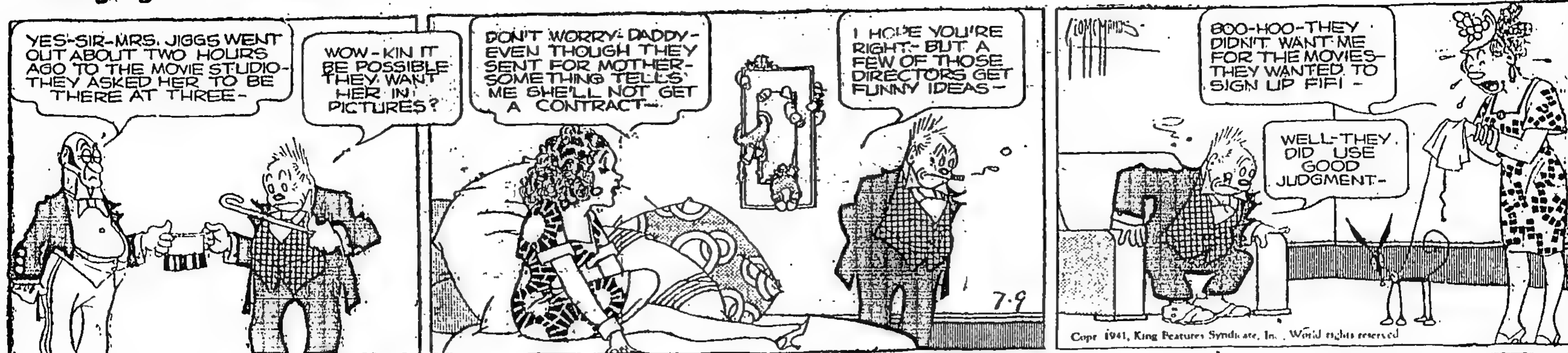
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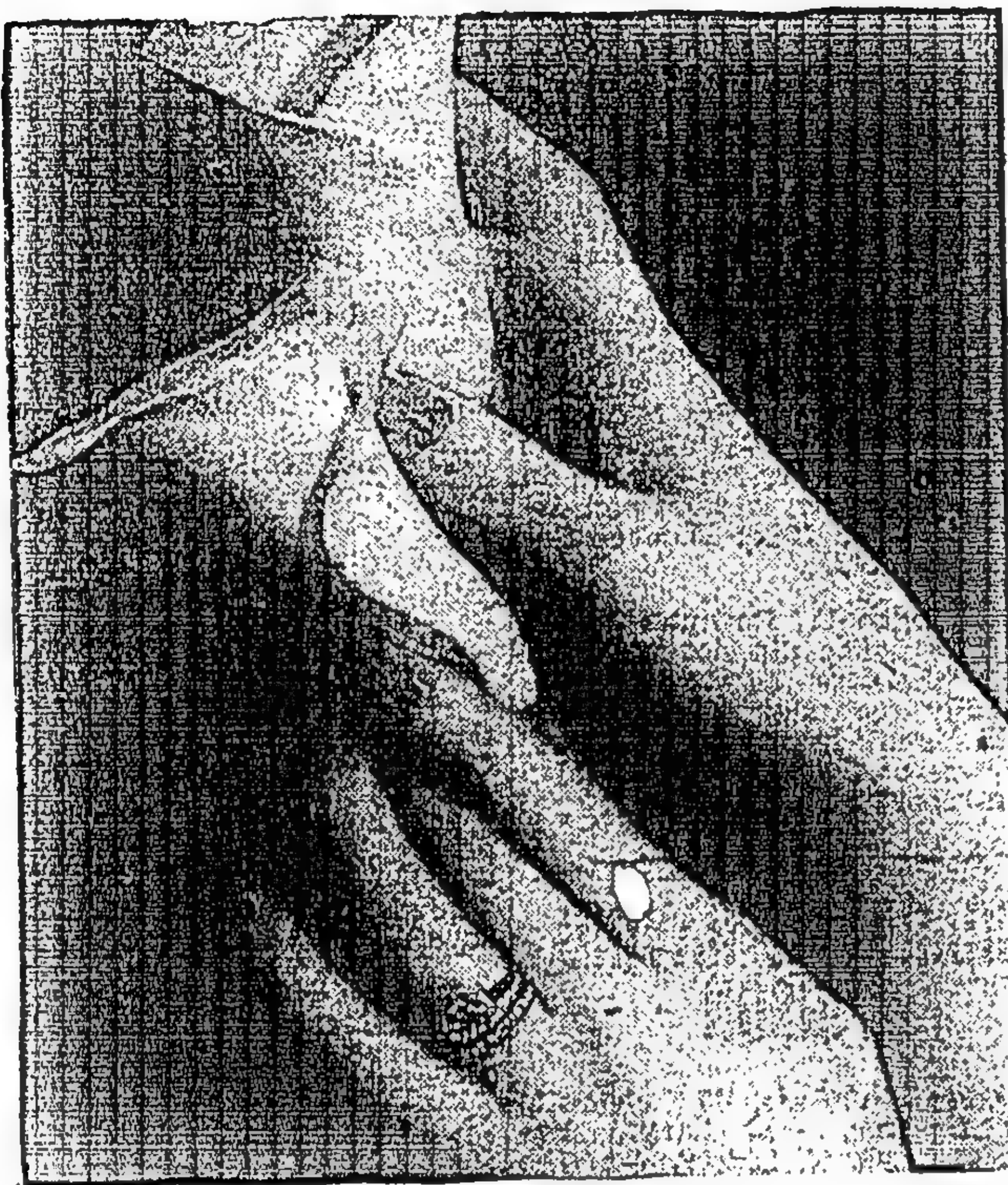
Notes For September Brides

For a lot of girls the Summer of 1941 was a romantic one, and right now they are planning September or October weddings. Love has made them ever so conscious of their beauty and they are adopting a daily routine to step up their native beauty.

In that routine should be at least ten minutes for hand beauty. For aren't those hands playing a pretty important role at the wedding? Right now, ten to one, the left hand is the proud possessor of a pretty ring and foolish is the girl who does not make it a fitting background for that token of his adoration.

It is truly miraculous how hands respond to a little care. Roughened, discoloured, or overtanned skin can be softened and bleached by the daily or nightly application of a specific corrective cream or lotion. Having a lemon handy in the bathroom, or on the kitchen shelf, to rub over the hands after brushing them, does wonders in beautifying the skin.

Using a pair of rubber gloves while working protects the hands and nails from grime and stains. And do not complain that rubber gloves make your hands sweat, for that is good for them. Just rinse them in very cold water when you pull off the gloves and massage them with a lotion or cream.



A brilliant-cut diamond solitaire with wedding band set with small diamond brilliants, are fitting tribute to these hands of rare beauty.

Lily Hands Men Love

Say what you please, most men really like maidenly, soft, white hands, with rosy tips and a faint trace of fragrance about them! And that lily-look is not exclusively for hands of leisure for most brides-to-be of 1941 have work to do, and they do it! Any hands can acquire soft, fair skin, well-groomed nails and a tender touch! Even birth-marks and other permanent skin blemishes

may be expertly covered up by a special cream or a darker shade of powder base.

There is also on your cosmetic counter a Hand Masque which does the same work, and is applied in the same way, as a face masque. Using this once every week helps greatly.

Naturally no hands can be lovely to look at, or lovely to touch if the nails are not perfectly groomed. With the implements available to-day, and the lotions

and soaps for disturbed cuticle, there is little excuse for any woman not to have nicely manicured nails. She may polish them with a natural, rosy or vivid hue, as she pleases, or merely buff them, but they should be well shaped and free of hangnails. Many women use that new protective wax.

Women who get places frequently "wash" their hands in a fragrant cologne and allow the air to dry them, just before going out to a gala party. Others put perfume beneath their nail tips with an orange stick after washing them with a heavily perfumed soap. If you want fragrance to linger, spray perfume inside of your gloves—cotton or kid.

This Is Friendship

On my mantelpiece, with the clover-coloured china pig, stands a little rose-patterned cup and saucer. Most people, seeing it, think it is a sentimental relic of a doll's tea set.

It is a relic of something much more important—a friendship.

It began when I was a child of three or four and the other girl a little older. My mother, baby sister Joan and I were staying with the other child's parents, who had what I thought the most beautiful garden I had ever seen with a quaint little chalet of a summer house at the far end.

The other child and I got the idea that Queen Mab and her fairy troop lived in this.

We spent days in composing letters to the Queen, "posted" them in the chalet every evening and raced down each morning to see if they had gone.

They always had, and sometimes there would be an answering letter from Queen Mab, or candies from elfland; and, last of all and most treasured, a little rose-patterned cup and saucer for each of us.

We really did believe these were magic gifts. We kept the little cups and often when we were grown-ups, we smiled together over them.

The other girl died a few days ago. And afterwards, I noticed her little china cup, still in its usual place.

I came home and looked at my own cup and thought: "That love-

ly bit of the past is finished now." I felt suddenly lonely.

Thinking it over, I realised that all true friendship is based on shared experiences.

You know a person who is fun to do things with... to go to a show with. But you aren't quite friends.

And then, without either of you realising what is happening, the show turns out to hold some message for the two of you; the job blossoms out with possibilities that you never knew it held.

And, because these things have suddenly become important to both of you, because you have shared something that matters, you are no longer acquaintances—you are friends—for good.

Sad experiences can bind friends together, as well as happy ones.

I didn't set out to find a moral—but there is a moral in all this for lonely folk. It is—live life fully, keep the windows of your soul open to the breezes of experience.

You will find much happiness. You will probably find sorrows, since these too, are part of life. But you will certainly find friends, in the people who share the exciting things, the lovely moments, the moments of courage and humour and beauty with you.

And that is going to be the message of my little rose-patterned cup.

Sunday School's Just A Joke!

Many parents think this when they look back and remember the days when they sat on hard wooden forms and learnt texts off by heart or listened to the teachers' droning out parables which they didn't understand.

They can't recall any real good thing going to Sunday School did them, but some think, oh, we'll send Johnny and Mary as soon as they are old enough so that we can get a peaceful hour or so on Sunday afternoons.

Other parents grumble that their children don't learn anything worth while. They've forgotten what Christianity is and they forget, too, that most Sunday School teachers serve without pay, and give up a great deal of time—even though they're busy people—to preparing lessons and ideas.

Then, on a day when they could be doing something for themselves, they cheerfully get off to spend some hours in the morning or afternoon trying to interest and amuse a lot of unruly children, whose parents maybe haven't even taught them obedience or courtesy. The hours spent in Sunday School are now more valuable than they ever were because, un-

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By ED REED



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less you are a very exceptional parent, religious teaching in the home exists only in a very minor way.

Knowing this, you ought to send your child to Sunday School. But it is not fair to send him or her with the idea that it's all a game and good behaviour doesn't matter.

That's just a way of passing on to a stranger your responsibility of teaching your child good manners.

Send your children to Sunday School with the knowledge that they are going to hear something worth knowing, and the lessons they learn will stand them in good stead all their lives.

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6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.
6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quota-
tion.
6.47 p.m.—Anton and The Paramount
Theatre Orchestra and Les Allen.
7.17 p.m.—Billy Thornburn at the
Piano.
7.30 p.m.—Dance Music from the Films.
8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Com-
mentary.
8.25 p.m.—London Relay—Listening
Post.
Examination of Points in Daily
German Propaganda.
8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.
8.32 p.m.—De Groot and His Orchestra
with Grace Moore (Soprano).
9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and An-
nouncements.
9.02 p.m.—This week's programmes.
9.05 p.m.—Light Opera Selections.
9.30 p.m.—An Orchestral Programme.
9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on
Short Wave only).
9.45 p.m.—Popular Ballads.
10.00 p.m.—London—The News and
News Commentary.
10.15 p.m.—Some Brahms Songs.
10.27 p.m.—Brahms—Double Concerto
in A Minor.
11.00 p.m.—London — "News From
Home"—Howard Marshall.
11.15 p.m.—Close Down

USED CAMERA IN A PROHIBITED AREA

A photographer who rushed to
Kai Tak yesterday morning to
"shoot" the C.N.A.C. airplane
crash, was fined \$5 by Major A.
N. Macfadyen at Kowloon this
morning for using the camera in
a prohibited area without permis-
sion from the Chief Defence Se-
curity Officer.

Det.-Sgt. C. Dowman stated
that the police did not wish to
press the case as accused was
specially requested to take the
crash picture by the "S.C.M. Post"
and was at the time accompanied
by a reporter of the paper.

CHARGE OF HAVING POISON

Leung Kung-mo, 45, cigarette
manufacturer, was charged be-
fore Mr. G. T. Lowry, at the
Central Magistracy this morning,
with unlawful possession of poi-
son at Jardine's Wharf on Friday.

It was stated that 24 boxes of
Neopromin were found in accus-
ed's possession when searched by
Revenue Officers.

At the request of Detective Ser-
geant J. M. Forrest, accused was
formally remanded for a week.

RAIDS ON DIVANS

Ten opium and heroin divans
were raided in the Wanchai Dis-
trict, and 12 in the Central Dis-
trict, during the week end. Over
100 lamps, pipes and heroin pipes
were seized by the Police.

At the Central Magistracy this
morning, a confiscation order for
the opium, pipes, and lamps was
made.

H.K. GOVERNMENT'S FREEZING OF NATIONAL CURRENCY

**ALL CHINESE National Currency hold-
ings, personal and otherwise, in the banks
in Hong Kong have been frozen by the
Hong Kong Government apparently with a
view to wipe out the prevailing "Black Mar-
ket" and to prevent leakage of Chinese
National Currency from Hong Kong into
"occupied" and Japanese controlled terri-
tory.**

Rumours of the action were
in circulation during last week
but were only this morning con-
firmed by a notification issued by
the Exchange Control Officer, Mr.
D. Kelvin-Stark, to all banking
concerns in the Colony.

According to the restrictions,
monies in Chinese National Cur-
rency will only be allowed to
be withdrawn for remittance to
places in Free China and on che-
que draft or other bill on or in
favour of residents in the Colony.

The notification issued to all
banks this morning states:—

The Rules

The following rules are intro-
duced as a measure of coopera-
tion with the Government of
China.

It is a condition of the authority
of banks under the Defence (Fin-
ance) Regulations to deal in
foreign currency that such rules
should be strictly observed.

Withdrawals from any Chinese
National Currency account with
any bank in Hong Kong may not
be made in C.N. currency note,
or by way of cheque draft T.T. or
other bill drawn on or in favour
of any person firm or bank in
Shanghai.

Banks may allow such with-
drawal by way of cheque draft
T.T. or other bill drawn on or
in favour of a bank in Free
China, provided that no remit-
tance in excess of those at present
allowed for family remittances
may be permitted in any one
month, and by way of cheque
draft or other bill drawn on or
in favour of a resident of Hong
Kong.

All such cheques must be clear-
ed through a C.N. currency ac-
count with the Bank of China.

Requests for conversion of
Chinese National currency de-
posits into H.K. may be referred
by the Bank concerned to the
Stabilisation Board of China
provided that such requests
comply in all respects with the
directions issued to banks by
the Stabilisation Board of
China.

Imports

In cases where imports from
neighbouring parts of China and
Macau into Hong Kong are nor-
mally paid for by way of C. N.
currency bank notes application
for withdrawals from C. N. cur-
rency bank accounts by way of
C. N. currency bank notes may be
made to the Exchange Control
through the bank concerned.
Personal applications cannot be
considered and applications will
only be approved if full evidence
is presented by the bank concern-
ed that such notes are required for
the legitimate purposes of estab-
lished trade.

Withdrawals in bank notes in
payment of contracts entered into
before 21st September, 1941, be-
tween banks in the Colony, or be-
tween authorised banks and any
persons are free.

Other withdrawals in bank notes
in payment of contracts entered
into before 21st September, 1941,
are subject to exchange control
permit on Form G which should
be applied for through a bank
with full evidence of the contract.

Nothing in this notice allows
any payment forbidden under any
previous instructions given to
banks or forbidden under the De-
fence (Finance) Regulations.

VALENTINE "KILLER" MADE IN MONTH

Valentine, the Bri-
tish Army's new 16-
ton "killer" tank, owes
its name to its day of
birth.

About a year before
the war experts in a
leading armament
firm inspected a new
infantry tank model.
They were so critical
that they were chal-
lenged to produce a
better one in just one
month.

On February 14—St.
Valentine's Day—the
designers completed
their job exactly on
time. So Mark III was
christened "Valen-
tine"

V LIGHTS SEEN BY R.A.F.

Lights, red, white and
yellow, in the shape of the
letter V, were seen by Bri-
tish bomber crews as they
flew over France, Belgium
and Holland on their way
to blast the German in-
dustrial centres of Frank-
furt and Mannheim.

There was no explanation in
London of the mysterious V lights
—they were seen the previous
night—but there was no doubt
about their appearance.

When the first of our crews
reported the lights over
France — they story was re-
ceived with a sceptical smile
by the interrogating officer at
the base.

But other crews had seen
these lights, and other V's in
France, and in Belgium and
Holland.

They were not, the crews said,
anything like the lights of an
aerodrome.

One V was made by white lights
enclosed in a circle of red lights
and another by five yellow lights
in each arm.

They varied between 12ft.
and 50ft. in length, but a V in
Belgium seemed to be about
100 yards long and was made
of continuous lines of light. "It
was like a neon sign," said a
pilot.

CHILE PROTEST IN BERLIN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
The Chilean Foreign Office
yesterday instructed its Amba-
sador in Berlin to demand the
release of six Chileans arrested
as reprisals for the anti-Nazi
purge in Latin-America. — Inter-
national News Service.

HOME SOCCER RESULTS

Following are the results of football matches played at Home on Saturday:

LONDON LEAGUE
Arsenal 4, Tottenham 0; Brighton 2, Brentford 2; Charlton 3, Watford 1; Chelsea 4, Aldershot 0; Millwall 1, Portsmouth 3; Queen's P. R. 2, Fulham 5; Reading 0, Crystal P. 2; West Ham 3, Clapton 0.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE SOUTH
Bristol 2, Bournemouth 1; Leicester 3; West Brom. 2; Luton 1, Norwich 4; Northampton 4, Notts. F. 3; Walsall 4, Swansea 2.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE NORTH
Barnsley 1, Lincoln 2; Bradford 2, Sunderland 2; Burny 0, Blackburn 3; Chester 2, Everton 0; Chesterfield 3, Doncaster 1; Halifax 2, Bolton 0; Leeds 5, Gateshead 1; Liverpool 4, Manchester C. 2; Manchester U. 7, Stockport 1; Middlesbrough 5, York 2; Newcastle 3, Huddersfield 1; Preston 7, Oldham 0; Rochdale 1, Burnley 1; Rotherham 3, Bradford C. 1; Wednesday 0, Grimsby 2; Southport 1, Blackpool 5; Stoke 5, Wrexham 2; Tranmere 1, New Brighton 1; Mansfield 2, Sheffield U. 3.

OTHER MATCHES
Scottish XI 1, British Army 2 (at Dumfries); Wolves 2, Birmingham 4.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE SOUTH
Albion 3, St. Mirren 0; Clyde 2, Ardrie 2; Dumbarton 2, Partick 7; Hamilton 3, Celtic 2; Hearts 2, Motherwell 1; Morton 3, Third Lanark 2; Queen's Park 1, Hibernian 2; Rangers 3, Falkirk 2.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE NORTH
East Dundee 1, Dunfermline 1; East Fife 1, Aberdeen 0; Raith 9, Leith 5; St. Bernards 2, Rangers 3—Reuter

SMALL CROWD SEE SOUTH CHINA BEAT ASSOCIATION XI 5-0

THE SURPRISING FEATURE OF THE CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH BETWEEN SOUTH CHINA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION AND THE GOVERNOR'S CUP TEAM AT CAROLINE HILL YESTERDAY WAS NOT THE ONE-SIDEDNESS OF THE GAME—SOUTH CHINA WON 5-0—BUT RATHER THE COMPARATIVELY POOR CROWD THAT ATTENDED.

Over the game itself there was little to enthuse. The Governor's Cup team were two short, and at the last moment Hendy was brought in at outside-left, while Nix, who had not even had experience in League football, but whose activities had been solely confined to inter-company games (Middlesex Regiment) very sportingly took Banker's place in goal, the latter being a non-starter owing to an injury sustained the previous day.

For the first 15 minutes of the game play was even, but after Chau Man-chi had opened the scoring for South China play was very one-sided.

Chau ended up by scoring two goals, Lee Wai-long secured a like number and Lau Chung-sang added the fifth, but whereas Chau played a very good game, Lee had an off-day, his two goals being more in the nature of gifts, as on both occasions he received the ball when he had only the goalkeeper to beat.

The contributing feature to South China's win was that whereas they played together as a team, with only one weak link in Chung Yung-sum, at outside-right, the Governor's Cup team were painfully lacking in teamwork, though flashes of individual brilliance were shown by Fraser, at left-back, and Pope at right-half.

Ferrier, at inside-left, had an off day and on more than one occasion might have found the net when well placed, especially early in the second half when, with only the goalkeeper to beat, he shot right into the hands of Tam Kwan-kong, who had no difficulty in clearing.

Fowler, as ever, tried very hard on the right-wing, but too often found himself left with the job of trying to take the ball through on his own. He sent in a couple of stinging shots, from difficult angles on both occasions, but Tam's uncanny anticipation made the clearances appear as though they were quite easy.

Early Opening Goal

CHAU MAN-CHI scored the first goal of the match after play had been in progress only 15 minutes, and Association had a grand chance to equalise shortly after, but Ferrier kicked straight into the hands of Tam. Then Howlett was brought down just outside the penalty area and the referee pointed to the "spot," but the linesman waved his flag and a free kick was awarded from less than a yard outside the area. Nothing resulted from this, and the teams crossed over with South China leading 1-0.

After the interval LEE WAI-TONG scored twice before CHAU MAN-CHI literally walked the ball into the net after beating Fraser and Blackburn, and five minutes from time LAU CHUNG-SANG scored on the rebound when a stinging shot by Lee Shek-yau hit the upright, the final whistle sounding with South China winners by five clear goals.

South China:—Tam Kwan-kong; Tsang Chung-wan and Tse Kam-hung; Lau Hing-choy, Hsu King-shing and Lo Wai-kuen; Chung Yung-sum, Lau Chung-sang, Lee Wai-long, Chau Man-chi and Lee Shek-yau.

Governor's Cup Team:—Nix; Blackburn and Fraser; Pope, Bright, and Thomas; Fowler, Le Page, Howlett, Ferrier and Hendy.

SOFTBALL RESULTS

Canadian Chinese girls beat Cardinals in a friendly softball game yesterday at Kowloon Football Club by 12 runs to 8. Miss D. Brown, of Cardinals, registered the biggest hit, a three-bagger which brought in two runs.

In the men's game, Merry Madcaps beat Mohawks by 4 runs to 3 after an extra inning.

INDIAN FOOTBALL

Bombay Infantry team drew with Up-Country team in the semi-final of the Rovers' Cup Football Tournament in Bombay yesterday, each side scoring once.—Reuter.

LEAGUE CRICKET REPORT

Hong Kong Cricket League are holding their annual meeting in the Urban Council Chamber on Thursday, at 5.15 p.m., and, according to the report just circulated, the League has a balance in hand of \$34.94 after deducting donations of \$100 each to the Bomber Fund and Children's playground.

Although Hong Kong Cricket Club did not compete in the League, they supported it with the usual entrance fees, and this was greatly appreciated. Kowloon Cricket Club won both Divisions of the League with University runners-up in First Division and Craigen-gower in the Second.

RUGBY LEAGUE RESULTS

Results of matches played in the Rugby League on Saturday were:

Barnsley	2	Featherstone	12
Rangers	6	Hull	51
Castleford	13	Wakefield Trinity	9
Dewsbury	11	Wigan	5
Huddersfield	0	Leeds	5
Hunslet	11	Batley	8
Keighley	2	St. Helen's	20
Oldham	9	Bradford	7
York	8	Northern	17
		Hallifax	17

—Reuter.

The seventh lecture on Soccer Laws of the Game No. 15, 16 and 17 in connection with Throw-in, Goal-kick, and Corner-kick will be given by Mr. J. F. da Silva, Hon. Secretary of Hong Kong Football Referees' Association at Scandal Point Hall to-day at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

GAVE UP POST AFTER 4 MONTHS

SIR REARDON SMITH RESIGNED IN JULY FROM THE POSITION OF REGIONAL SHIPPING REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE BRISTOL CHANNEL AREA, TO WHICH HE WAS APPOINTED LAST MARCH.

He was one of three "speed up" chiefs appointed by the Ministry of Shipping. He is chairman of the Cardiff and Bristol Channel Ship-owners' Association and controls one of the largest fleets in the country.

Sir Willie is 54. He is chief of the £1,500,000 Reardon Smith Line.

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H.K. Electric Rights \$12.95 sa.
Macao Electric \$18 b.
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Cements \$16.80 sa.
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Watsons \$13.40 sa.
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MISCELLANEOUS
Entertainments 6 1/4 b.
LAST DAY'S SALES
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2,000 Providents @ \$7.40
3,000 Hotels @ \$4 1/4
500 Realities @ \$4.05
200 Lights (Old) @ \$7 1/4
500 Electric Rts. @ \$12.95
200 Cements @ \$16.80
500 Watsons @ \$13.40

PASSPORT SECURITY FOR R. O.

Revenue Officer J. C. E. Scott was allowed to have his passport kept by the police as a security in addition to bail of \$500 in cash, by Major A. N. Macfadyen at Kowloon this morning. The bail was formerly \$500 in cash, and \$1,000 shop security. Accused, with two Chinese Revenue officers, were charged with extortion and demanding money with menaces from three Chinese. The case was adjourned to next Monday.

STOKERS FINED

Four Chinese who described themselves as stokers employed on a Panama ship, were each fined \$100, or six months' hard labour, by Major A. N. Macfadyen at Kowloon this morning for attempting to export 98 bales of cloth to Kwongchowwan without a permit from the Controller of Trade, and, with possession of unmanifested cargo. Sergeant Stewart discovered 80 bales aboard the ship on Saturday but was unable to find the owner of the cargo. The Sergeant boarded the ship yesterday and found a further 38 bales. He was informed that accused were the owners and he arrested them.

MICROSCOPE AND LENS STOLEN

Mr. J. H. Ruttonjee, of the Hong Kong Brewery, has reported the theft on Saturday of a microscope and two lens, valued at \$200, from his office at the Distillery Depot, Castle Peak Road.

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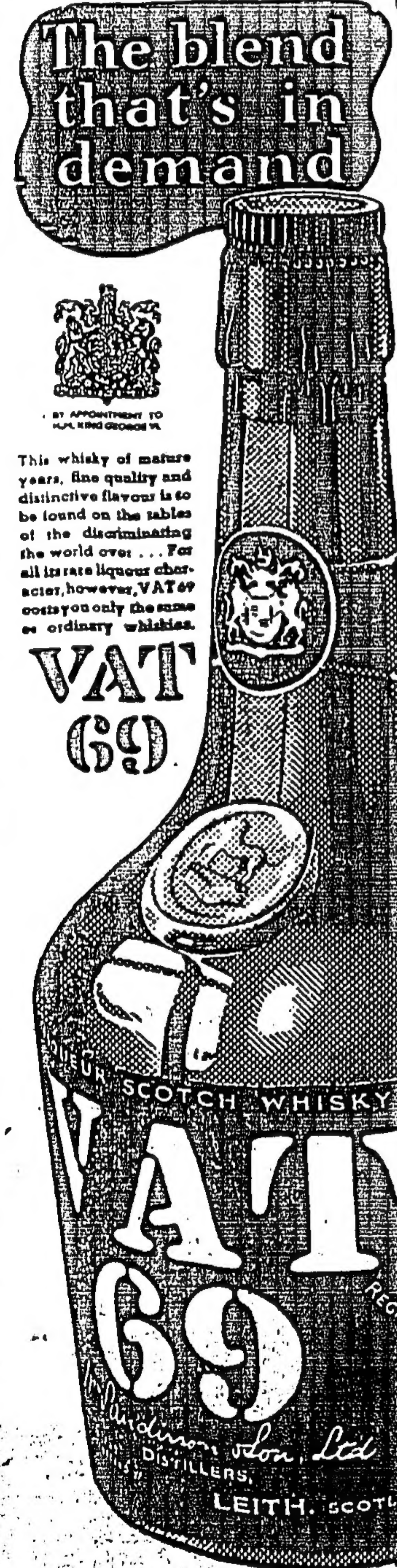
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U. M. Omar (C.C.C.)	18	18	0	0	468	266	192	0	36
B. W. Bradbury (C.C.C.)	17	14	1	2	429	289	140	0	29
J. Shephard (P.R.C.)	17	12	1	4	369	308	61	0	25
C. S. Rosset (C.C.C.)	16	12	0	4	397	254	143	0	24
M. R. Abbas (I.R.C.)	18	12	0	6	387	327	60	0	24
A. M. Holland (K.B.G.C. "A")	17	11	1	5	381	274	107	0	23
A. J. Hall (K.B.G.C. "A")	17	11	0	6	350	298	52	0	22
A. K. Minu (I.R.C.)	18	9	1	8	374	304	70	0	19
M. N. Rakusen (C.B.C.C.)	17	9	0	8	330	345	0	15	18
R. Duncan (K.B.G.C. "B")	14	8	1	5	307	275	32	0	17
R. F. Luz (Rec. "A")	13	8	0	5	289	232	57	0	16
A. R. Dallas (I.R.C.)	16	8	0	8	326	337	0	11	16
H. A. Alves (Recelo "A")	8	7	0	1	211	122	89	0	14
A. M. Calman (K.D.R.C.)	10	7	0	3	212	189	23	0	14
F. X. Silva (Rec. "A")	11	6	2	3	224	202	22	0	14
T. A. Madar (K.C.C.)	16	7	0	9	297	333	0	36	14
J. F. V. Ribeiro (Recelo "A")	6	6	0	0	159	86	73	0	12
C. G. Silva (Rec. "A")	10	6	0	4	204	187	17	0	12
A. McKelvie (K.B.G.C. "B")	12	6	0	6	229	208	21	0	12
J. P. Gutierrez (Rec. "B")	12	6	0	6	231	232	0	1	12
E. C. Fincher (K.C.C.)	16	5	0	11	263	362	0	99	10
C. Roza-Pereira (Recelo "A")	4	4	0	0	90	67	33	0	8
N. J. Bebbington (K.C.C.)	9	3	2	4	167	180	0	13	8
W. Mair (P.R.C.)	10	4	0	6	184	198	0	14	8
J. C. S. Fender (P.R.C.)	11	3	2	6	204	232	0	28	8
M. Ferguson (K.D.R.C.)	12	4	0	8	215	249	0	34	8
J. J. Basto (Rec. "B")	16	4	0	12	271	340	0	69	8
W. Hollands (P.R.C.)	4	3	0	1	101	67	34	0	6
R. Morrison (K.D.R.C.)	6	3	0	3	110	104	6	0	6
F. Cullen (K.D.R.C.)	10	2	2	6	170	236	0	66	6
J. G. Meyer (K.B.G.C. "B")	12	3	0	9	196	290	0	94	6
J. F. McGowan (C.S.C.C.)	13	2	1	10	221	289	0	88	6
D. M. Khan (I.R.C.)	2	2	0	0	55	24	31	0	4
J. B. Landolt (C.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	69	60	0	1	4
P. A. Peckham (K.B.G.C. "B")	4	2	0	2	67	70	0	3	4
J. Kempton (K.D.R.C.)	4	2	0	2	73	84	0	11	4
J. Fraser (K.C.C.)	7	1	2	4	109	140	0	81	4
L. Guy (K.B.G.C. "B")	9	2	0	7	145	209	0	64	4
C. Strange (C.S.C.C.)	5	1	1	3	92	104	0	12	3
C. A. Lopes (Recelo)	1	1	0	0	32	9	23	0	2
F. V. Ribeiro (Recelo "A")	1	1	0	0	27	12	15	0	2
F. Nolah (P.R.C.)	1	1	0	0	26	20	6	0	2
A. M. Rodrigues (Recelo "B")	1	1	0	0	20	19	1	0	2
J. E. Noronha (Recelo "B")	2	1	0	1	34	31	3	0	2
L. J. Silva (Recelo "B")	2	1	0	1	21	40	0	19	2
W. J. Burling (C.S.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	55	73	0	18	2
W. Greig (K.D.R.C.)	3	1	0	2	46	81	0	35	2
J. W. Deakin (C.S.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	40	76	0	36	2
B. Basto (Rec. "B")	4	1	0	3	62	92	0	30	2
H. Lockhart (K.B.G.C. "B")	5	1	0	4	84	108	0	24	2
L. Sykes (K.B.G.C. "B")	6	1	0	5	101	136	0	35	2
T. Coleman (K.D.R.C.)	6	1	0	5	73	180	0	107	2
E. G. Post (P.R.C.)	8	1	0	7	139	177	0	38	2
C. C. Pereira (Recelo "B")	2	0	1	1	31	38	0	7	1
J. C. Gill (K.B.G.C. "B")	1	0	0	1	14	23	0	9	0
W. McNeill (K.B.G.C. "B")	1	0	0	1	11	29	0	18	0
J. C. Remedios (Recelo "B")	1	0	0	1	6	41	0	38	0
C. M. Silva (Recelo "B")	2	0	0	2	35	47	0	12	0
H. Strange (C.S.C.C.)	2	0	0	2	22	50	0	28	0
A. M. Rodrigues (Recelo "B")	3	0	0	3	42	72	0	30	0
W. R. Hillyer (C.S.C.C.)	4	0	0	4	60	90	0	30	0
G. S. Sherriff (K.B.G.C. "A")	4	0	0	4	64	95	0	31	0
E. W. Blimmonds (C.S.C.C.)	4	0	0	4	67	111	0	54	0
E. Souza (Recelo "B")	6	0	0	6	93	137	0	44	0

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	T.	L.	F.	A.	Up	Dn	Pts.
P. Younghusband (K.F.C.)	14	12	0	2	325	209	116	0	24
J. L. Stephens (K. Tong)	15	10	1	4	348	248	100	0	21
W. V. Field (K.F.C.)	12	10	0	2	298	191	107	0	20
A. J. Kew (K. Tong)	15	10	0	5	338	256	82	0	20
T. L. Lock (C.C.C.)	12	8	1	3	264	207	57	0	17
W. Melrose (T.C.)	12	8	0	4	256	224	32	0	16
W. J. Bagley (P.O.C.)	13	8	0	5	189	165	24	0	16
W. MacFarlane (H.K.F.C.)	15	7	1	7	285	285	0	0	15
W. Gill (H.K.F.C.)	13	7	0	6	244	241	3	0	14
D. Gowland (P.O.C.)	14	7	0	7	301	244	57	0	14
A. W. Brown (H.K.C.C.)	14	6	2	6	262	287	0	25	14
G. E. Costello (H.K.C.C.)	15	7	0	8	280	328	0	48	14
E. Kern (K.F.C.)	9	6	0	3	187	176	11	0	12
J. C. Chalmers (T.C.)	11	6	0	5	228	205	23	0	12
H. W. Randall (C.C.C.)	7	5	0	2	144	114	30	0	10
K. S. Robertson (H.K.F.C.)	9	5	0	4	194	152	42	0	10
A. Spary (K.T.G.C.A.)	10	5	0	5	192	183	9	0	10
J. McCutcheon (P.O.C.)	10	5	0	5	276	300	0	25	10
F. Goodwin (H.K.C.C.)	14	5	0	9	270	298	0	28	10
O. P. Remedios (Recelo)	8	4	1	3	138	167	0	19	9
C. C. Pereira (Recelo)	8	4	0	4	174	153	21	0	8
W. K. Way (C.C.C.)	9	4	0	5	167	188	0	21	8
R. S. Meadows (K.C.C.)	11	4	0	7	207	250	0	43	8
J. M. Jack (K.C.C.)	7	3	0	4	141	136	5	0	6
W. J. Howard (K. Tong)	6	2	1	3	116	87	29	0	6
A. Stevan (K.C.C.)	8	2	1	5	134	191	0	67	5
J. A. Watson (T.C.)	12	2	1	9	172	284	0	112	5
W. Ward (C.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	54	37	17	0	4
N. P. Karanjia (C.C.C.)	4	2	0	2	85	69	16	0	4
W. W. Parsons (K.C.C.)	4	2	0	2	71	81	0	10	4
A. J. Jillett (P.O.C.)	4	2	0	2	69	94	0	25	4
W. Simpson (K.F.C.)	5	2	0	3	95	99	0	4	4
J. A. Remedios (Recelo)	6	2	0	4	108	117	0	9	4
T. W. Carr (K.C.C.)	10	2	0	8	153	238	0	85	4
M. J. Medina (C.C.C.)	5	1	1	3	88	113	0	25	3
A. J. Coelho (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	30	15	15	0	2
E. S. Franka (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	19	14	5	0	2
L. A. R. Durcan (H.K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	21	19	2	0	2
T. M. Pile (P.O.C.)	1	1	0	0	18	17	1	0	2
T. Ferguson (K.F.C.)	2	1	0	1	41	33	8	0	2
V. Chittenden (K.F.C.)	2	1	0	1	34	45	0	11	2
A. P. Pereira (Recelo)	3	1	0	2	81	63	18	0	2
A. Brookbank (H.K.F.C.)	4	1	0	3	70	98	0	28	2
M. A. Carvalho (Recelo)	5	1	0	4	85	117	0	31	2
J. R. Soares (Recelo)	8	1	0	7	137	221	0	84	2
T. F. Stainton (T.C.)	1	0	0	1	21	25	0	4	0
E. Currie (K.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	14	19	0	5	0
R. R. Davies (H.K.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	15	24	0	9	0
W. Hyde (K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	17	28	0	11	0
J. A. R. Selby (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	10	23	0	18	0
L. Gaddi (C.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	16	30	0	16	0
M. F. Atkinson (Recelo)	1	0	0	1	15	30	0	16	0
H. V. Pearce (H.K.F.C.)	3	0	0	3	39	68	0	19	0
L. Jack (K.C.C.)	4	0	0	4	65	113	0	48	0

G.\$41,411 IN STAKES

The American wonder horse, Whirlaway, favourite at 10 to 1 on, won the 49th "Lawrence Realisation Stakes" over a mile and five-eighths at Belmont Park, New York, on Saturday, thus becoming the third in the list of all-time money winners with only Sea Biscuit and Sun Beau ahead.

Whirlaway won by 10 lengths, and up to the present this horse has won U.S. \$41,411 in stakes.—Reuter.

Marcelle, owned by Mr. Samuel Riddle, beat Whirlaway, the hot favourite, by 4½ lengths in the Five Thousand Sterling Narragansett Race, at Rhode Island on September 14.

H.K.C.C. CAPTAIN

Dr. L. T. Ride, who has formerly played for Hong Kong University, will be the Hong Kong Cricket Club captain this season.

Prior to Saturday A. W. Brown of Hong Kong Cricket Club had not had a six in the Lawn Bowls League. On Saturday he had two and beat P. Younghusband, Second Division champion skip, by 4 shots, to stop a sequence of nine wins in a row. C. C. Pereira of Recelo is the only other skip to have beaten Younghusband.

THIRD DIVISION

	P.	W.	T.	L.	F.	A.	Shots Up	Shots Dn	Pts
J. C. Aitken (P.R.C.)	16	12	1	2	381	231	160	0	25
R. Ogden (K.F.C.)	15	12	0	3	342	250	92	0	24
J. MacDonald (P.R.C.)	16	9	1	5	310	238	72	0	19
A. Nish (K.B.G.C.)	16	9	1	6	342	292	50	0	19
B. M. Rummah (I.R.C.)	16	9	1	6	336	295	41	0	19
C. Wallis (K.B.G.C.)	13	9	0	4	290	210	80	0	18
A. M. Wahab (I.R.C.)	14	9	0	5	286	248	38	0	18
A. E. Carey (P.R.C.)	12	7	0	5	296	227	69	0	14
A. O. Madar (I.R.C.)	11	6	1	4	217	185	32	0	13
A. J. Coelho (C.C.C.)	13	6	0	7	232	245	0	13	12
G. S. Graver (H.K.F.C.)	13	6	1	6	261	274	0	13	11
A. G. Gardner (H.K.E.R.C.)	7	5	0	2	141	115	26	0	10
K. C. Hamilton (K.B.G.C.)	8	5	0	3	169	149	20	0	10
L. A. Jordan (K.B.G.C.)	8	5	0	3	187	154	13	0	10
J. Raitor (H.K.F.C.)	8	5	0	3	189	161	0	2	10
N. P. Karanjia (C.C.C.)	9	5	0	4	187	178	9	0	10
B. A. Mansell (H.K.F.C.)	13	6	0	6	245	251	0	6	10
P. A. Yvanovich (Recelo)	15	6	0	10	261	338	0	77	10
J. F. Lunn (H.K.E.R.C.)	12	4	1	7	191	257	0	66	9
M. F. Alarcon (Recelo)	7	4	0	3	135	143	0	8	8
L. de Rome (H.K.E.R.C.)	8	4	0	4	157	160	0	3	8
E. S. Abraham (H.K.C.C.)	11	4	0	7	193	228	0	30	8
A. G. Suffad (I.R.C.)	4	3	0	1	88	66	23	0	6
M. J. Medina (C.C.C.)	4	3	0	1	83	83	0	0	6
P. B. Cassidy (H.K.C.C.)	6	3	0	2	94	88	8	0	6
D. A. Rozario (C.C.C.)	5	3	0	2	98	93	5	0	6
B. Evans (K.F.C.)	6	3	0	2	88	99	0	13	6
J. T. Smalley (K.F.C.)	6	3	0	3	130	128	7	0	6
C. Downman (K.F.C.)	7	3	0	4	140	155	0	19	6
M. A. Carvalho (Recelo)	8	3	0	5	136	143	0	7	6
A. McKellar (H.K.C.C.)	11	3	0	8	174	250	0	76	6
C. F. Needham (H.K.F.C.)	2	2	0	0	50	30	20	0	4
L. Gaddi (C.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	75	62	13	0	4
G. E. Ladd (C.C.C.)	3	2	0	1	62	54	8	0	4
M. Mendonca (Recelo)	3	2	0	1	59	54	5	0	4
J. Russell (H.K.F.C.)	4	2	0	2	64	90	0	26	4
A. Niazim (H.K.C.C.)	5	2	0	3	95	120	0	25	4
P. J. A. Hamilton (H.K.C.C.)	6	2	0	4	122	119	3	0	4
T. Fergusson (K.F.C.)	7	2	0	5	121	138	0	17	4
M. F. Pinna (Recelo)	8	2	0	6	140	188	0	48	4
J. K. Sloan (H.K.E.R.C.)	9	2	0	7	168	218	0	55	4
H. M. Xavier (Recelo)	1	1	0	0	31	11	20	0	2
C. W. Lam (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	26	12	14	0	2
A. P. Pereira (Recelo)	1	1	0	0	29	18	11	0	2
W. A. Cornell (H.K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	20	15	5	0	2
J. B. Gilroy (H.K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	19	15	4	0	2
B. J. Lacom (H.K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	20	16	4	0	2
C. G. Pereira (Recelo)	1	1	0	0	27	25	2	0	2
E. S. Franks (C.C.C.)	2	1	0	1	40	33	7	0	2
L. E. Lamont (C.C.C.)	2	1	0	1	35	32	3	0	2
M. R. Pinna (Recelo)	2	1	0	1	36	42	0	6	2
F. Channing (P.R.C.)	3	1	0	2	57	58	0	1	2
T. C. Monaghan (H.K.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	62	63	0	1	2
P. C. Morgan (H.K.F.C.)	3	1	0	2	56	64	0	9	2
H. W. Randall (C.C.C.)	3	1	0	2	44	65	0	21	2
S. H. Strange (H.K.F.C.)	3	1	0	2	61	78	0	27	2
R. C. Butler (H.K.E.R.C.)	4	1	0	3	60	80	0	18	2
A. F. Paul (H.K.E.R.C.)	4	1	0	3	62	174	0	82	2
A. H. Madar (I.R.C.)	2	0	1	1	34	39	0	5	1
H. F. Shields (H.K.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	17	18	0	1	0
Y. Abbas (K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	14	18	0	4	0
E. A. Atkin (K.B.G.C.)	1	0	0	1	19	21	0	5	0
C. E. Gahagan (H.K.E.R.C.)	1	0	0	1	16	20	0	5	0
W. Neal (K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	15	22	0	7	0
F. K. Modi (C.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	18	20	0	11	0
M. Gutierrez (Recelo)	1	0	0	1	15	28	0	19	0
U. A. Rummah (I.R.C.)	1	0	0	1	13	27	0	14	0
R. A. Edwards (H.K.C.C.)	1	0	0	1	13	29	0	10	0
A. F. Noronha (Recelo)	1	0	0	1	8	31	0	23	0
H. M. Fuller (K.F.C.)	2	0	0	2	32	38	0	6	0
G. E. F. Thompson (K.B.G.C.)	2	0	0	2	27	38	0	11	0
A. B. Mitchell (H.K.C.C.)	2	0	0	2	24	45	0	21	0
J. Paul (C.C.C.)	2	0	0	2	24	56	0	22	0
G. Stephens (H.K.F.C.)	2	0	0	2	30	55	0	25	0

BOWLS CUP GAMES

Second Round matches in the Goscombe-O'Sullivan Cup Lawn Bowls Competition were decided yesterday at Police Recreation Club, the closest match being that between Medical "C" and Small Units, which the former won by 18-17.

A. Brooksbank's P.W.D. "E" rink defeated H. E. Strange's C.S.O. four by the large margin of 35 shots to 12.

Results of the matches were:—
Police "A" W. Webber
P.O.C. R. G. Robertson
C. Pile G. V. McGrath
E. G. Post
J.C.S. Fender(s) 26 S. Marvin (s) 17
Medical "C" Small Units
P. Shaw J. R. Carr
E. Strange H. Mackay
S. Eccleshall W. Smith
H. L. Lockhart(s) 18 W. Ward (s) 17
C.S.O. P.W.D. "D"
A. K. Safflad R. P. Shaw
N. L. Smith C. H. Robertson
B. I. Rickford K. S. Robertson
H. E. Strange (s) 12 A. Brooksbank(s) 35
Police "F"
L. Punnell P. Anslow
J. Headridge I. Newton
C. Downman J. A. R. Selby
W. MacHardy(s) 17 J. F. McGowan(s) 26

OPEN SINGLES ENCOUNTER

At Civil Service Cricket Club yesterday, H. E. Strange defeated E. Kirmon 22-15 at the 17th head in the First Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Singles Championship.

Kirmon opened with a "possible," but Strange then had 3 2 0 1 2 2 0 1 3 to lead 14-8 at the 10th, but two 3's by Kirmon saw him trailing only 14-18 at the 14th. Strange then scored two 2's and, conceding a single, won by 22-15 after scoring at 11 ends, the scores being:—

KIRMON 4 0 0 2 0 0 0 2 0 0 3 0 0 3
0 1 0 = 15
STRANGE 0 3 2 0 1 2 2 0 1 3 0 1 3 0
2 0 2 = 22

S. M. Rumjahn of Indian Recreation Club, who had a six in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday, had one in his previous game. He had previously had one, in his second game of the season.

The two unbeaten teams in the Open Basketball League—South China and Chinese Y.M.C.A.—meet this evening. National Union and Youths meet in the other game.

TO-DAY'S AQUATICS

The Hong Kong Chinese Swimming championships will be concluded to-day at Victoria Recreation Club, commencing at 7.30 p.m., when the main attraction will be the Men's 50 Metres free-style, in which both Tsui Hang and Ng Nin will be seen in action.

The 400 Metres free-style event should also provide thrills as Chun Chun-nam, Yau Sai-kwan and Lau Tai-ping, of Lai Tsun, will be participating.

Following is the programme:—
Men's 400 Yards free-style Relay.
Ladies' 200 Metres breast-stroke.
Men's 100 Metres back-stroke.
Ladies' 50 Metres free-style.
Men's 50 Metres free-style.
Men's 400 Metres free-style.
Ladies' 400 Metres free-style.
Water-Polo.



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Saturday's Sport Review

THE football season started more or less in real earnest on Saturday when the final batch of friendlies were played prior to the League opening this week-end. Chief attraction was the charity match between the Combined Eastern-Sing Tao team which toured Australia and a team drawn from United Services, V. K. Hyui and Fung King-cheung each scoring twice and C. T. Tsao once to give the Chinese a 5-0 win.

The rest of the matches resulted as follows:—Senior: Kowloon 7, Navy 3; Police 3, Kwong Wah 2; Club 0, Middlesex 3. Junior: Kowloon 3, Navy 3; Police 2, Kwong Wah, 2; Club 0, Middlesex 9; and Signals 8, Laneford 1.

WITH the lawn bowls season drawing to a close, 10 matches in the three Divisions of the League were decided instead of the usual 13, and in most cases the results were as expected. In Second Division, Craigengower Cricket Club's chances of finishing up as unrunners-up were more or less nullified as the result of win-

scored by Kowloon Tong and Kowloon Football Club, with the latter heading the table by two points.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club, whose most dangerous rivals in Third Division are Police R.C., beat the Happy Valley team by 4 points to 1 to regain the leadership in this Division, though the latter are expected to beat K.F.C. by a big margin in their final game and so win the championship.

SWIMMING enthusiasts had three galas to cater to them, and each one of these produced some very fine swimming. In the early afternoon, at European Y.M.C.A., University held their annual championships and Charles Huang, well-known Colony swimmer, set up new records in the 220, 440 and 880 Yards free-style events. A new record for the 100 Yards breast-stroke was established by K. Lo, while Morrison Hall, who won the Inter-Hostel championship, set up a new mark in the Inter-Hostel Relay race. Huang,

who won the individual championship, was first in six of the events on the programme.

AT V.R.C., the Chinese Swimming Championships were held and here also records tumbled. Miss Sai Wai-ying clipped 1.2 seconds off the National record for the Ladies' 100 Metres back-stroke. Tsui Hang returned 63 seconds for the 100 Metres free-style to beat the old mark by 2.7 seconds, while in the 1,500 Metres free-style Chan Chun-nam, Yau Sai-kwan and Lau Tai-ping, who finished in that order, all bettered the National record. Chan's time being 21 mins. 21 secs., while Yau was clocked at 21 mins. 41.2 secs., and Lau 21 mins. 58.4 secs.

THE Volunteers Gala and Inter-Services Meet at Army Pool, which was largely attended, proved exceedingly enjoyable. As expected, Mobile Column won the Corps Championship for the second year in succession, while in

the first Inter-Services Meeting to be held Volunteers were first, with Navy-Air Force second and Army third.

W. E. L.

CRICKETERS BEAT BASEBALLERS

Royal Engineers' entertained a team from U.S.S. Mindanao in a friendly cricket match at Sookun-poo yesterday, the former winning by two wickets on the first innings, after which the teams went in again for 30 minutes each. Scores were:—

Mindanao: — 47 and 30.
Sappers: — 51 and 39 for 8 wickets.

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INDEPENDENCE FOR SYRIA

A new Syrian Ministry, under the Premiership of Hassan Hakim, has been formed in Damascus.

The Free French leader, General Catroux, is expected to issue a declaration concerning the new statute of independence for Syria.—Reuter.

FAMOUS CHURCH BURNT OUT

Serious damage resulted from a fire which broke out during Saturday night in the Oeumenical (Orthodox) Patriarchate at Phanar, on the Golden Horn.

This was reported in an Istanbul despatch to the Vichy News Agency yesterday.

The despatch added that the famous church of the Orthodox Patriarchate was burned out and the Palace practically destroyed.

The Church treasures were however, mainly saved. Fifty houses in the neighbourhood were also destroyed.—Reuter.

Effect Of Occupation On Caucasus

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

DESPITE BIG GERMAN CLAIMS OF SUCCESSSES AT KIEV AND IN SOUTHERN RUSSIA, WHICH, LIKE MANY PREVIOUS CLAIMS, ARE STILL REGARDED VERY DUBIOUSLY IN WELL-INFORMED QUARTERS, THE MOST INTERESTING FACTUAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE WEEK WAS THE ABDICATION OF THE SHAH OF PERSIA.

It is significant that the Russians have been able to spare considerable forces to complete the occupation of the zones which were allotted to their troops.

The Russians appear to have disposed of numbers of tanks and armoured cars and they certainly made a spectacular display of landing large numbers of parachute troops around Teheran.

They cannot be so hard up for men and material in the South if they were able to carry out these operations with irresistible force in perfect timing and with a full complement of mechanised units.

The junction of the British and Russian forces will have important repercussions on the whole strategic position in Southern Russia and the Caucasus.

British Air Feats

The Russians have admitted the loss of Kremenchug and fighting

at the gates of Kiev but otherwise their communiques have been excessively laconic.

Pressure on Leningrad appears to have relaxed somewhat.

British bombers and fighters were active throughout the week and have not only relentlessly attacked the principal German industrial centres but have carried out daylight sweeps over occupied France with constantly increasing forces.

Large numbers of enemy supply ships have been attacked and sunk while creeping along the Dutch, Belgian and French coasts.

Railways Not Up To Strain

The fact that the Germans are driven to use seaborne supplies proves that the railways are not equal to the strain put upon them—another result to which British bombers have contributed.

In North Africa there was reconnaissance in force by German and Italian troops on the Egyptian frontier but they were promptly driven back to their original position with the loss of at least 14 tanks.—Reuter.

CANADA IS GOING ALL OUT

Large increases in the number of air training schools in Canada and in the output of existing schools were forecast by Air Vice-Marshal O. C. Johnson, Deputy Chief of Air Staff, in a radio talk broadcast throughout Canada last night from Ottawa.

He declared: "New and greater blue-prints have been handed to the Royal Canadian Air Force. We are approaching the point of all-out production of pilots, observers and gunners as set forth in the original agreement.

"You can count on the fingers of one hand the schools that the plan provided which remain to be opened. The enterprise is being very largely extended. At across Canada, schools will arise on still unbroken ground."

According to the Canadian Air Ministry spokesman, the new schools referred to by Vice-Marshal Johnson, will be R.A.F. schools operated and manned by British personnel.—Reuter.

FIRE-WATCHING REGISTER

Registration for fire watching under the Government Order was completed yesterday when men from 46 to 59 years enrolled. On Saturday those from 30 to 46 registered.—British Wireless.

STOP PRESS

AS A RESULT OF THE DISMISSAL OF TWO EMPLOYEES FOR ALLEGED INCOMPETENCE LAST WEEK, WORKERS OF THE STEAM LAUNDRY COMPANY HAVE THREATENED TO GO ON STRIKE TO-DAY UNLESS THE MEN WERE REINSTATED.

So far the men have not carried out their threat.

A delegation had an interview with the Labour Officer, Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins this morning, and it is understood that nothing concrete resulted from the talks.

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